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The Government has decided that Obituary Notices of fallen soldiers sent to the Press by relatives or friends shall give no particulars either of the theatre of war in which a casualty occurred or of the battalion to which the officer, non-commissioned officer, or private belonged.

ROLL OF HONOUR.

DE PRET—January 18, 1918, killed in action, after 3½ years' gallant service, Lieutenant GASTON DE PRET, Roose de Calesberg, Lancers, Belgian Army, the beloved second stepson and son of Colonel and Mrs. Fowle, Royal Hospital, Dublin, aged 22 years.

FERGUSON—January 18, 1918, at Lakelands Park, Terenure, Dublin, result of illness contracted in France, JOHN ELLIOTT, third son of GEORGE and LIZZIE FERGUSON. Funeral to-day (Monday), at 8.30 a.m., to Mount Jerome.

IN MEMORIAM.

NEALE—In loving memory of Lieutenant A. H. NEALE, son of the late Dr. W. Neale, of Mountmellick, Queen's County, and Mrs. Neale, 25 Ormond road, killed in action, in Mesopotamia, January, 1916.
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Till by and by we meet.
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BIRTHS.

ALEXANDER—January 17, 1918, at Dromore, Villiers road, Rathgar, the wife of FRANCIS ALEXANDER, a son.

HASSELL—January 10, 1918, at Crosshea House, Edgeworthstown, the wife of C.S.M. I. HASSELL, S. of M. I.C., of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

BIGGS AND ROBINSON—January 10, 1918, at Kilbarron Church, by the Rev. F. Samuels, D.D., SAMUEL DICKSON BIGGS, second son of the late Samuel Dickson Biggs, Bellevue, Borrisokane, Co. Tipperary, to EILEEN MARY WARBURTON, third daughter of the late Deputy-General R. H. Robinson and Mrs. COOTE ROBINSON, Longford place, Monkstown.

CALLAGHAN AND GAVIN—January 16, 1918, at Meelin R.C. Church, with Nuptial Mass, by the Very Rev. Fr. Malachy, C.P., Rector of St. Joseph's, Highgate (uncle of the bride), assisted by the Rev. Charles Murtagh, C.C., Rochfort Bridge, Rev. Fr. Mark, C.P., Belfast (uncle of the bride); Rev. Joseph Kelly, C.C., Mullingar; and Rev. Hugh Brady, Adm., Cavan—STANISLAUS P., fifth son of the late T. J. CALLAGHAN, Esq., J.P., Dundrum, and Dame street, Dublin, and of Mrs. CALLAGHAN, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, to SARAH, third daughter of LAURENCE J. GAVIN, Esq., and the late Mrs. GAVIN, Lake View, Baltstown, Mullingar.

COTTON AND MADDEN—January 14, 1918, at Boyle Church, by the Venerable the Archdeacon Wagner, SAMUEL JOHN, Captain A.V.C., youngest son of COX COTTON, Brierfield, Roscommon, to EDITH AILEEN, youngest daughter of the late THOMAS MADDEN, Ivy Dene, Ballinlough.

DORMER AND PARKER—January 16, 1918, at Lenton Parish Church, by the Rev. H. Lovell Clarke, Vicar of All Saints', ROBERT CHRISTOPHER, Private Sherwood Foresters, younger son of ROBERT DORMER, The Bungalow, Newtownbarry, Ireland, to ELSIE KATHARINE, only daughter of the late Rev. F. S. PARKER, Vicar of Long Buckby, Rugby, and of Mrs. PARKER, 23 Derby Grove, Nottingham.

HORGAN AND COYLE—January 15, 1918, at the Church of the Three Patrons, Rathgar, with Nuptial Mass, by His Grace the Archbishop of Cashel, assisted by the Rev. Canon Malone, P.P., Rev. Fr. Hill, C.C.; and Rev. Fr. Sheehan, C.C., GEORGE BOWRING HORGAN, second son of the late Michael Horgan, Clanloughlin, Cork, to JEANNIE, younger daughter of HUGH COYLE, Northam, Orwell Park, Dublin.

ROBB AND EVANS—January 16, 1918, at the Merrion Hall, Dublin, FREDERICK, eldest son of SAMUEL H. ROBB, Leamore, Newcastle, to HANNAH ISABELLA, youngest daughter of the late WILLIAM EVANS, Westview, Greystones.

WAKEFIELD AND DORMER—January 16, 1918, at Lenton Parish Church, by the Rev. H. Lovell Clarke, Vicar of All Saints', PAUL STUART, Lieutenant West Yorkshire Regiment, S.R., elder son of JOHN H. WAKEFIELD, of Dublin, to MAUD EILEEN VIOLET (PEGGY), younger daughter of ROBERT DORMER, The Bungalow, Newtownbarry, Ireland.

DEATHS.

ANDERSON—January 19, 1918, at The Thompson Memorial Home, Lisburn, THOMAS FRANCIS, eldest son of the late THOMAS ANDERSON, Bachelor's Walk, Lisburn, and formerly of Ballina, Co. Mayo.

BUCKLEY—January 19, 1918, at Market Green, Balbriggan, ELLEN BUCKLEY, aged 82 years. Funeral for Balrothery to-day (Monday) at 3 p.m.

CURTIS—January 18, 1918, at a Private Hospital in Dublin, KATHARINE ELIZABETH MIDDLETON, widow of W. C. M. CURTIS, of "Aclare," Glenageary, Co. Dublin, and W. Curtis and Sons, Middle Abbey street. Funeral this (Monday) morning, leaving "Aclare," Glenageary, at 9.30 o'clock, and arriving at Mount Jerome Cemetery at 10.45 o'clock.

DE ROBECK—January 17, 1918, at 38 Harley street, London, GEORGE DE ROBECK, in his 79th year.

HACKETT—January 20, 1918, at her residence, Streamstown House, Birr, MARY, relict of the late MICHAEL HACKETT. R.I.P. Solemn Requiem Mass at Rath Church to-morrow (Tuesday) at 10 a.m. The funeral will leave Streamstown for Eglish at 2 p.m.

HALL—January 19, 1918, at her residence, 5 Hume street, Dublin, MARY ELIZABETH, beloved wife of THOMAS HALL. Funeral to-morrow (Tuesday) morning, at 9 o'clock, for Mount Jerome. American papers please copy.

HUTCHINSON—January 19, 1918, at Ivy Cottage, Delgany, Co. Wicklow, RICHARD, dearly-loved husband of KATE HUTCHINSON, and eldest son of the late James Hutchinson, Newcastle. "Severed only till He come." Funeral to Delgany to-day (Monday), 3.30 o'clock.

KEMPSTER—January 19, 1918, at his residence, No. 1 De Vesci terrace, Kingstown, JOHN KEMPSTER, C.E. Funeral private. No flowers.

LYONS—January 19, 1918, at 41 Tyrconnell road, Inchicore, THOMAS, dearly-beloved son of WILLIAM HENRY and MARY ANNE LYONS, aged 30 years. Funeral private.

McMIEKEN—On Saturday, January 19, 1918, MARGARET, daughter of the late ROBERT McMIEKEN, of Carlingford House, Glasnevin. Funeral private.

MACKAY—January 17, 1918, at 21 George square, Edinburgh, MAUREEN ORRELL, dearly-beloved infant daughter of A. G. MACKAY, L.D.S., aged 4 months.

O'DONOGHUE—January 20, 1918, at St. Vincent's Hospital, PATRICK E. O'DONOGHUE, aged 65, late of The Croft, Killeshandra, and Blindwell, Tuam. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing wife and family. Funeral to Glasnevin, at 11 o'clock, to-morrow (Tuesday), January 22nd.

Go ndéanaidh Dia trócaire ar a anam.

ORAM—January 13, 1918, at Cleveland, Ohio, U.S.A., in his 61st year, JAMES HENRY, second surviving son of the late JOHN ORAM, formerly of Barrisheole, Co. Mayo.

PAGE—At a Private Hospital in Dublin, EMILIE, the dearly-loved and loving wife of WALTER PAGE, of "Fern Lea" and Main street, Arklow. Funeral to-day (Monday), the 21st, from Harcourt street Station, 10.15 train, to Arklow, thence direct to New Kilbride Cemetery.

PURDON—January 18, 1918, at 70 North Circular road, MINNIE, second daughter of JOHN PURDON. She "overcame by the blood of the Lamb," Rev. 12, 11. Interment Mount Jerome to-day (Monday), at 10.15 a.m., leaving North Circular road at 9.30. No flowers, by request.

REID—January 18, 1918, at her father's residence, MARY ELIZABETH, elder daughter of FRANCIS D. REID, Beechvalley, Dungannon. Funeral strictly private. No flowers.

STUART—January 19, 1918, at 14 Ashdale road, Miss N. STUART, aged 85 years. Funeral private. No flowers, by request.

WILSON—January 20, 1918, CHARLES WILSON, late of Rathdrum. Funeral from the residence of his son-in-law, 4 Home Farm road, Drumcondra, 8.45, to-morrow (Tuesday), for Rathdrum, via Harcourt street.

IN MEMORIAM.

WOOLLCOMBE—Fifth Anniversary—On Monday, 20th January, 1913, at her residence, 14 Waterloo road, Dublin, in the 87th year of her age, JANE WOOLLCOMBE, daughter of the late James Kirkelly, Esquire, of Drimcong, Co. Galway, widow of the late Robert William Woollcombe, Esquire, eldest son of the late Robert Woollcombe, Esquire, of Winscot Manor, North Devon, third son of the late John Morth Woollcombe, Esquire, D.L., of Ashbury Park, North Devon, High Sheriff of Devonshire. Requiescat in pace. "Her children rise up and call her blessed."

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CHAUFFEUR seeks situation; 12 years' workshop and driving experience, electric light; married, ineligible.—Bartholomew, Barmeath Castle, Dunleer, Co. Louth. D

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GARDENERS and Stewards—We keep a Register of those seeking employment, and we are always able to recommend highly respectable and thoroughly practical men. Particulars free—Joseph Orr and Sons, Seedsmen, Belfast.

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LAW COURTS.

THE LEGAL DIARY.

LAW NOTICES—Monday, January 21st, 1918.

COURT OF APPEAL.—10.30—Mary Geoghegan, a registered owner, Land Registry; Mitchell v. Wellesley; Fields v. Field.

LORD CHANCELLOR.—In Lunacy. Before the Registrar, 11.30—Summons, French and French; adj. statements, M'Breen, Hoey and Denning, Galway, M'Ilwaine, and Seeds; statement, Sutton and Co.; sett. report, Hayes and Son; do., Cooper; do., Mecredy. Chambers. Before the Chf. Clk., 11.30—Knox, Bourke, Delany, Groome, Middleton (minors). Before Mr. Murphy, 11.30—Bourke (minor), vch.

ROLLS.—In Chamber—Sullivan v. Donovan; Walsh ...

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White Muslin Dressing Gown Set, Special Sale price, **1/11½**

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24 Dozen Embroidered Aprons, 2/11. Now **2/3**
20 Doz. Tea Aprons, worth 4/11 and 5/6. Now, to clear, **3/11**

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No. 119—10 Doz. White Marabout Hat Ruches. Usually 2/11 and 3/6. Further reduced to **1/-**

No. 115—12 Doz. White and Natural Feather Hat Bandeau. Usually 5/6. Now **1/11**
Dozens of other Odd Bandeau. Worth 5/11 and 7/6. Clearing at **1/11**

108 SASH BELTS Crepe de Chine, Belt in Saxe, Purple, Flame, Sand, Cerise, and Old Rose. Usually 7/6. Now **1/11**

12 doz. Black Knitted Scarves, 1½ yards long, 8 ins. wide. Usually 2/11 and 3/6. Sale price now to clear **1/4½**

No. 117—White Kid Berries, with leaves. Usually 3/6. Sale **1/3**

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80 Dozen Coloured Umbrellas, crook or straight handles, covers of reliable mixtures, for all weathers, in Navy, Grey, Mole and Purple and Black. Worth 12/6 each. Now 7/6 each. Smart Militaire Umbrella, with good leather strap, good reliable black covers. Special value, 9/11 each.

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2 Assorted Lots of Flowers, specially selected for further reduction to-day, one at 4½d., worth 10½d. to 1/11; and the other 8½d., worth 1/4½ to 3/6 each.
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Higher priced Embroideries also Reduced.
27" Paris Filet Lace Flouncing. Usual price, 1/6. Sale, 9d.
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DUBLIN AND DISTRICT.

V.A.D. Entertainment.—There was a fairly good attendance at the entertainment given on Saturday evening in the supper room of the Mansion House, and organised by the 4th V.A.D. City of Dublin British Red Cross Society. Songs, dances, a whistling solo, a sketch, and a monologue were included in the performance, and the items were well received.

Royal Zoological Society.—The Council of the Royal Zoological Society of Ireland met on Saturday, Sir Frederick Moore, President, in the chair. Notwithstanding the uncertain weather, the Secretary was able to report that the average week's attendance was well maintained, there being a considerable increase at the gate for the past week as compared with the corresponding week last year. Visitors for the week, 1,100.

Queen's Theatre Concerts.—The series of Sunday ...

... entertainment by the Automobile Club, who supplied their ambulance service, assisted by members' cars. Members of the staffs of the Land Commission and the Estates Commissioners looked after the games, which included billiards, cricket, cards, etc., and prizes were given to the successful competitors.

Institute of Journalists.—The annual general meeting of the Dublin and Irish Association District of the Institute of Journalists was held on Saturday at 35 Dawson street, Dublin, Mr. T. F. McGahan, J.P., presiding. Mr. T. W. Murphy referred to the death in action of Mr. Gerald Harris, who had acted as hon. secretary since 1912, and served the Institute with an energy and zeal that won the admiration of every member. A resolution of deep regret at Mr. Harris's death and of sincere sympathy with his bereaved widow was passed. The report of the Committee stated that fourteen members had been elected during the year, and mentioned that action was taken regarding the appointment of local correspondents and also with regard to securing ...

COMING EVENTS.

String Orchestra.—Mr. Harold R. White is to hold evening practices of a string orchestra at the Leinster School of Music. This will enable amateurs to obtain experience in concerted playing.

National Literary Society.—This evening, in the Large Hall, 53 Merrion square, Dublin, Mr. Lennox Robinson, Inspector of Carnegie Libraries, will deliver a lecture on "What We Read." Chair to be taken at 8.15.

Presbyterian Association.—The fifty-fifth annual meeting of the Presbyterian Association will be held in the rooms at 68 Grafton street, Dublin, this evening, at 8 o'clock. There will be several speakers. The President, Mr. John Mooney, C.V.O., will preside.

Missionary Pageant.—A South American Missionary Pageant will be held in the Molesworth Hall, Dublin, this evening at 8 o'clock. In addition to the pageant some musical items will ...

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SPORTING NEWS.

CHANTICLEER'S NOTES.

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, SATURDAY.

At the time of writing one cannot doubt that steeplechasing at Gatwick will proceed as arranged, but so much snow and rain have been lately experienced in the district the ground is bound to be very heavy, and by Thursday it will be considerably cut up after four days' use. On the opening afternoon some of the horses selected below may win:—

Warnham Hurdle Plate—**Londerry.**
Four Years' Hurdle Plate—**Corydon.**
Tinsley Steeplechase—**Sir Percy.**
Moderate Hurdle Race—**Regal or Farakabad.**
Kingswood Steeplechase—**Chang.**
Pegasus Steeplechase—**Mr. Pick.**

Chanticleer.

GATWICK MEETING—THIS DAY.

PROGRAMME.

12.30—THE WARNHAM SELLING HURDLE RACE of £85. 2 m.

	Age	st.	lb.		Age	st.	lb.
Carol Singer	a	11	10	Curraghgour	a	11	10
Canute	6	11	10	New York	a	11	10
Blind Hookey	a	11	10	Londerry	a	11	10
Saucepan	a	11	10	Best Boy	a	11	10
Crosshea	a	11	10	Green Falcon	a	11	10
Guenoc	6	11	10	Climax	a	11	10
Zermatt	6	11	10	West	a	11	10
Fashion	a	11	10	Siller	a	11	10
Catchpenny	a	11	10	Leeds Crag	5	11	6
Drumlanrig	a	11	10	Cormac	5	11	6
Glatz	6	11	10	Little China	4	10	10
Per Annum	a	11	10	Carburine	4	10	10

1.15—THE FOUR-YEAR-OLD HURDLE RACE of £95. 1¾ m.

	st.	lb.		st.	lb.
Corydon	11	3	Joyless	10	10
Waltz	10	10	John Beaufort	10	10
Golden Square	10	10	Midnight Sun	10	10
Denis d'Or	10	10	Tantalus	10	10
Sir Mark	10	10	Tufa	10	10
Prime Value	10	10	Wilfing	10	10
Wrecker	10	10	Silver Saint	10	10
Landmark	10	10	Cresset	10	10
Nereid	10	10	The Runner	10	10
Bimini	10	10	Square Cut	10	10
Lawreany Lass	10	10	Tagrag	10	10
Tenby	10	10	Perision	10	10
Johna	10	10	Fleetwood	10	10
The Settler	10	10	Golden Cup	10	10
Tame Bird	10	10	Laugh	10	10

1.45—THE TINSLEY SELLING STEEPLECHASE of £85. 2 m.

	Age	st.	lb.		Age	st.	lb.
Cooldreen	a	12	3	Castleton	a	12	3
Augus	a	12	3	Perimac	a	11	12
Drinaugh	a	12	3	Sir Percy	a	11	12
Grithorpe	a	12	3	Jim May	a	11	12

2.15—THE MODERATE HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of £100. 2 m.

	Age	st.	lb.		Age	st.	lb.
Toadstone	6	12	7	Sedberghian	6	11	7
Regal	6	12	5	Caxton	6	11	7
Marnix	5	12	0	Transvaal	a	11	5
Farakabad	a	11	12	Ossory	4	11	4
St. Ronald	6	11	12	Sir Artegal	a	11	2
Ophion	5	11	9	Hunting Crop	4	11	1
Minoratas	5	11	8	Svindune	4	11	0

2.45—THE KINGSWOOD HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £100. 3 m.

	Age	st.	lb.		Age	st.	lb.
Irish Mail	a	12	7	Shaun Spadah	a	11	1
Vermouth	a	12	7	Ballymacad	a	11	0
Eugenist	a	12	6	Wavertree	a	11	0
Mask Off	a	11	5	Breakout	a	11	0
Poethlyn	a	11	5	Sunloch	a	10	12
Top Hope (7lb. ex.)	a	11	4	Schoolmoney	a	10	12
Minster Vale	a	11	3	Chang	a	10	6
Ballykisteen	a	11	1	United	a	10	0
				Skylark VII.	a	10	0

3.15—THE PEGASUS HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £100. 2 m.

	Age	st.	lb.		Age	st.	lb.
Wavylace (10lb. ex.)	a	13	2	Hannibal	a	11	10
Valentine Maher	a	12	7	Drinaugh	a	11	8
Alfred Noble	a	12	6	Loch Allen	a	11	4
Real Grit	a	12	0	Toller	a	11	0
Kenia	a	11	12	Antipater	6	11	0
				Mr. Pick	a	10	12
				Succubus	a	10	7

ARRIVALS.—The following have arrived or are expected:—Augus, Aynsley, Best Boy, Ballymacad, Ballykisteen, Bimini, Canute, Carol Singer, Caxton, Chuckberry, Court Bleddyn, Cresset, Cock of the Rock, Castleton, Curraghgour, Corydon, Drinaugh, Drumlanrig, Eugenist, Excelsior, Farakabad, First Smoke, Fashion, Flycar, Guenoc, Glatz, Golden Cup, Golden Square, Halnaby, Hannibal, Heathercombe, Hollins Lane, Irish Mail, Irish Rebellion, John A., John Beaufort, John Jackett, Kenia, Landmark, Leeds Crag, Little China, Loch Allen, Londerry, Marie's Pride, Mr. Pick, Mark Back, Midnight Sun, Minarotus, Nereid, Naxos, New York, Ophion, Per Annum, Phidias, Platonic, Prince Francis, Rough and Ready, Real Grit, Rubecula, Saintly Maude, The Settler, Shaun Spadah, Schoolmaster, Siller, Stainton, Svendune, Tantalus, Toadstone, Transvaal, Tufa, The Village Schoolmaster, Watergruel, Wavertree, West, White Prophet, Wrecker, and Zermatt.

DEATH OF MR. E. P. WILSON.

The death took place on Saturday at Stratford-on-Avon of Mr. E. P. Wilson, a famous cross-country rider of the seventies and eighties. Mr. Wilson, who was 71 years of age, won, before he was 21, the Birmingham Grand Annual Steeplechase on Tiger. He won the National Hunt Steeplechase on five occasions, four of them consecutive, in 1877 on the Duke of Hamilton's Bear, in 1881 on Mr. Talbot's Pride of Prussia, in 1882 on Mr. Jenkins's Llantarnum, in 1883 on Mr. Tritton's Satellite, and in 1884 on Mr. Howett's Equity. He also won the Liverpool Grand National in 1884 on Voluptuary, and in the following year on Roquefort. He was closely identified with the victories of Congress, one of the best steeplechasers that ever ran. Among the races he accounted for were the Grand Sefton Steeplechase in 1873 and the Leamington Grand Annual in 1875 and 1876.

COURSING.

LEIGH (TWO MILE BORRIS) MEETING—TO-DAY.

Judge—Mr. P. J. Murphy. Slipper—Mr. P. J. Kinane.

THE DRAW.

LEIGH STAKES—For 13 puppies.

Mr. Condon's **Noble Arrow** agst. Mr. Darcy's **Earlscourt II.**; Mr. Bourke's **Blanche Beau** agst. Mr. Morriss's **Tide Foam**; Mr. Ryan's **Roaring Rebel** agst. Mr. Condon's **Flying Arrow**; Mr. Butler ns. **Queer Times** agst. Mr. Commons ns. **Gallant Pearse**; Mr. Fahey's **Charlie Marshall** agst. Mr. Butler's **Brave Fox**; Mr. Mulvihill's **Old Style II.** agst. Mr. Dwyer ns. **Royal Rambler**; Mr. Ryan ns. **Last Smoke**, a bye.

TWO-MILE-BORRIS STAKES—For 8 all-ages.

Mr. Bowe ns. **Heather Bloom II.** agst. Mr. Dwyer's **Mutiny**; Mr. Leahy ns. **Let Her Out** agst. Mr. Duggan ns. **Flying Queen IV.**; Mr. Tynan's **Trepoff** agst. Mr. O'Keeffe's **Knockbritt**; Mr. Tynan's **Munition** agst. Mr. English ns. **Bendsdorf.**

LONGFORDPASS STAKES—For 14 all-ages.

Mr. Maher ns. **Timekeeper II.** agst. Mr. Woodlock's **Wild Man III.**; Mr. Bradshaw's **Sweet Revenge** agst. Mr. Campion ns. **Fenner Hill**; Mr. Vaughan ns. **Spitfire** agst. Mr. Bradshaw's **Hushed Up**; Mr. O'Connell's **Princely Pat** agst. Mr. Bourke ns. **Gooper Boy**; Mr. Donnolly's **Nelly Hayes** agst. Mr. English's **Hell Lee**; Mr. Dempsey ns. **Missioad** agst. Mr. M'Loughney ns. **Overland Beauty**; Mr. Hayes ns. **Full Stop** agst. Mr. Dwyer's **Hillside Rover III.**

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

THE WARD UNION.

Date—Jan.	Meet.	Hour.
Wed., 23	10-Mile Bush	1.30
Sat., 26	Hollywoodrath Gate	1.30
THE KILDARE.		
Wed., 23	The Kennels	11.0
Thurs., 24	Ballymount Chapel	11.0
Sat., 26	Enfield	11.0
THE MEATH.		
Tues., 22	Rahinston	11.0
Fri., 25	Priestown	11.0

HUNTING FIXTURES.

FINGAL HARRIERS.—Meet to-morrow at Seven Milestone, Ashbourne road, at 12 o'clock.

HOCKEY.—Saturday's Result:—Muckross College 5, Wesley College 3.

MUNSTER HERB GROWERS.

MEETING OF CORK ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Munster Herb Growing and Collecting Association was held on Saturday in the Clarence Room, Imperial Hotel, Cork. Sir Bertram Windle (Chairman) presided, and there were also present:—The Countess of Bandon, the Bishop of Cork, Cloyne, and Ross, Lady Dobbin, and many others.

Mr. C. J. Lane, solicitor, Hon. Secretary, read the report, which stated that—

Through the kindness of the President and Governing Body of University College, Cork, a site in their grounds was given free for the erection of the drying shed, which was accordingly erected there at a cost of £177 15/6. It was completed for use in May, 1917. The services of Miss Margaret Walsh were procured as superintendent, and she was sent over to England to be trained, and entered upon her duties immediately the shed was complete. The Committee have aimed at organising the growing and collecting of herbs throughout the province of Munster, but, so far, their efforts outside the county of Cork have not met with much success, owing, chiefly, to the difficulty of the carriage of fresh herbs from a distance. In the county of Cork, however, the quantity of material collected, though not all that might have been desired, has, on the whole, been satisfactory. District members were appointed in a number of centres, who organised the work in their respective districts, and up to the end of 1917 300 consignments of material were received at the drying shed, for which the sum of £63 8/- has been paid to the collectors, and 15 cwt. 2 qrs. 16 lb. of dry herbs were sold, realising £79 7/11, and there was in stock at the end of the year a quantity of dry material, the value of which is estimated at £20. There was a considerable amount of waste, especially at the beginning of the season, owing to the unsuitable packing of consignments and the consequent heating of material. The total amount of the donations received is £169 12/-, and the special subscriptions for 1917 amounted to £30 15/-, and the amount promised for 1918 is £38 15/-. With regard to the ordinary subscriptions paid by members, those who originally joined the United Irish Herb Association paid their subscriptions to that Association, but a sum of £22 14/- out of the moneys so paid was subsequently recovered. The subscriptions paid direct amounted to £36, and thus the total receipts, including value of stock in hand, for the year were £358 8/11. The total expenditure for the year was £365 11/-, which shows a loss of £7 2/1. The Committee regret that the working of the business of the Association has not been entirely satisfactory up to the present, for reasons which have been fully explained in a recent circular. The business arrangements have, however, now been put on a proper basis, and they have every reason to hope that, with the co-operation of the members, all will work smoothly in the future. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. A. F. Sharman-Crawford, in moving the adoption of the report and statement of accounts, said that, taking all together, he thought it was very satisfactory to find that after their first year's working they only lost £7, although they had innumerable difficulties to contend with. They had now the whole of their organisation working smoothly and the drying shed fully equipped. He knew that many of the collectors must have been disappointed at many periods during the year owing to the difficulties they had to contend with. They would have been greatly hampered were it not that Sir Bertram Windle placed the college at their disposal, and also some members of the staff gave them much valued assistance; but they, like themselves, had to learn the work. It was satisfactory for them to know that the herbs they sent over were said to be of excellent quality, which showed that their drying arrangements were good. (Applause.) They had to thank Mr. Downey, the bursar of the college, for kindly giving them his services in starting a system of accounts. There was one fact he had grasped, and that was that it was not going to be a money-making concern, and that they would have to work for patriotic reasons, for it would be a deplorable thing if this industry was allowed to go back again into the hands of foreigners. He thought that a considerable amount of work could be done by educating their children into herb-growing and collecting. Some children whom he had employed to collect gathered 4½ cwt. of foxglove, and received £2 3s. for it. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. J. F. McMullen, J.P., in seconding the adoption of the report, said he was sure that they were not in that work to make money, but to form a real service to the country. (Applause.)

Mr. E. Leigh White, in supporting the motion, said that in his district he found a general willingness to help the movement, but when spoken to, the people all gave him the same answer—that they would do their best, but that owing to the shortage of labour and the fact that all their available space was required for extra supplies of vegetables, etc., they could only grow small quantities; but if they all grew them even in small quantities it would help materially.

The Chairman said in that important matter everyone could help a little, not only those with big gardens, but also the plotholders, and in doing so they would benefit themselves. The real difficulty was to get the herbs collected, and what they must hope for was to get the school children educated into the collection of them, and also have district members who would interest themselves in the matter. In this connection he might mention that the Countess of Bandon had seen Dr. Starkie, the Resident Commissioner of Education, and that gentleman had promised to interest himself in the matter. If they got the school teachers to interest themselves in it, the interest of the children would follow. Great credit was due to Mr. Griffin, the head gardener at the college; to Mr. Downey, also connected with the college; and to Miss Walsh and Miss O'Leary, M.A., for all they had done for the Association.

Mr. E. W. Barnes gave details of some experiments that he had made.

Mrs. Broadley thought it would be a great matter if they could interest the nurserymen in the movement, owing to their expert knowledge.

Mr. Lane said they were going to arrange for a distribution of herb seeds to growers, because the Association by buying them in bulk would get them cheaper.

The Countess of Bandon appealed to the ladies in the different districts to take up the positions of district members.

The report and statement of accounts were passed unanimously, on the motion of Mr. Leigh White, seconded by Mrs. Cooke Collis. The existing Committee were re-elected.

DUBLIN CASTLE RED CROSS HOSPITAL.

The Committee of the Dublin Castle Red Cross Hospital at their meeting on the 18th inst., having been informed of the death of Mrs. Cullinan, wife of the High Sheriff of the County of Meath, and a great supporter and friend of the hospital, of which she was a member of the Committee of Management, passed a resolution of sympathy with her relatives. It was proposed by Sir John Lynch, Vice-Chairman of the Committee of Management, and seconded by Mr. William Martin Murphy, J.P., Chairman of the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

Oscar Harmen, manager of a machine tool works at Coventry, was prosecuted at that city on Saturday for food hoarding, and convicted in five cases. Four hundred pounds of tea and large quantities of sugar, sardines, butter, and hams were found in his house. He was sentenced to a month's imprisonment and fined £500, with £50 costs. The defendant swooned on hearing the sentence. Notice of appeal was given.

A "Spring Show" at the Quays.—There were more exhibits of modern agricultural machinery, implements, and dairy appliances on view recently at the Dublin quays than were ever gathered together at a Spring Show on the Ballsbridge grounds of the Royal Dublin Society—even in its palmiest days. Petrol and paraffin tractors, diggers, sowers, reapers, cultivators, and other farm labour speeders and savers were amongst the exhibits, and American and English manufactures appeared to share the Irish orders pretty fairly between them.

ENGINEERS AND MAN-POWER.

The series of conferences which have been taking place between the Minister of National Service and representatives of other Government departments and the trade unions concluded on Friday with a final meeting of the General Conference. A series of group conferences has been held, the constitution of the groups having been settled in accordance with the wishes expressed by the General Conference itself. The Amalgamated Society of Engineers, which had been invited to the General Conference, were also invited to the conference of the Engineering Group, but did not attend. At the final meeting of the General Conference on Friday the Minister of National Service stated that he had again been asked by the Amalgamated Society of Engineers to meet representatives of that society separately from the other societies in the Engineering Group. He had adhered to the decision given at the previous meeting of the General Conference, and had declined to hold a separate meeting, but had repeated his invitation to the Amalgamated Society to join in a further conference with the Engineering Group, and to attend the General Conference held that day. Sir Auckland Geddes proposed to the conference that a further opportunity should be afforded to the Amalgamated Society to attend a meeting of the Engineering Group. The conference endorsed this proposal, and expressed the desire that, as the General Conference would not reassemble, two representatives should also be present from each of the other groups. This decision and invitation were communicated to the Amalgamated Society of Engineers and declined by them.

STATEMENT BY A.S.E.

In the course of an official statement on the man-power question, the Amalgamated Society of Engineers state that, from their point of view, the military needs of the country do not justify the Government in abrogating its pledge, wherein it is emphatically laid down that all male diluted labour liable for general military service shall first be withdrawn. It is, therefore, not a question of leaving young men in workshops and taking the older men for military service; it is a question simply of fulfilling pledges and taking the "dilutees" of military age and fitness, who, had it not been for the engineering industrial activity, would not have been in the engineering industry. The Engineers state that they cannot agree to skilled men being taken and the "dilutees" left.

It is officially announced that Sir Auckland Geddes will visit Glasgow to confer with the Clyde workers on the subject of the Man-Power Bill. The date of the visit is not yet fixed.

RAILWAYMEN AND TRIP TO THE FRONT.

The Press Association is informed that at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen, held at the Grafton Hotel, Gower street, on Saturday, it was decided not to send representatives to the front, as invited by the Government. The reason given was that railwaymen in the country are already worked many hours overtime daily, and the sending away for several days of thirty-five of their number, as suggested, would throw increased work on those remaining at home. Further, they were satisfied that workers in this country were already fully cognisant of the horrors now taking place at the front.

OBITUARY.

MR. JOHN E. FERGUSON.

The death is announced of Mr. John E. Ferguson, son of Mr. George Ferguson, of Lakelands Park, Terenure. The deceased gentleman, whose family are well-known in Dublin, was at one time representative for a number of leading English drapery houses in Ireland. Four months ago, having recently returned from Canada, he sought to join the Colours. He was not successful, and offered his services to the Y.M.C.A. for work in France and was accepted. The work at a lonely advanced railhead on ground recently vacated by the Germans, proved too much for his strength, and a serious illness supervened. He arrived in Dublin last Monday, and died at his residence on Friday morning. The sympathy of many friends will go out to his family. Mr. Ferguson's two brothers are serving with the Colours.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CLERGYMAN AND THE CONVENTION.

Speaking at a meeting in Athlone on Friday night to promote the Dean Kelly Memorial, Very Rev. Canon Keane regretted the absence of the Chairman, which was worthily explained by his attendance at the National Convention. They all looked forward to the Convention with the greatest hope for good results, and he believed they would not ultimately be disappointed. Acknowledging the generosity of Protestant subscribers to the memorial, he said if the same spirit animated the rest of Ireland that prevailed in Athlone they would have very little necessity for any Convention to set up a Parliament. There they had among them many persuasions, but they all lived amicably together, helping and assisting and encouraging one another in the common affairs of life and without knowing any creed distinctions in their daily relations. Why could not that spirit prevail all over Ireland? He believed the day was coming when it would. (Applause.)

Our portrait is of Mr. Frederick Birch, of 6 Ormond road, Hornsey Rise, London, N., who writes: "I was suffering from Diseased Right Hip for 4 years, and had to go in hospital four times (once for 10 months). The disease started with inflammation in the hip, and then a bad Abscess formed. I had to have three operations performed, and after each I was laid out with weights on the legs and tubes in the hip; the pain was intense. Still there did not seem to be much improvement. Then, seeing in one of the papers a case similar to my own having been cured by 'Clarke's Blood Mixture,' I thought I would try it, and after a few bottles found a great improvement, so continued with your Mixture, and I am glad to say the wounds in my hip are completely healed and the pain is all gone; in fact, I am now quite cured."

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CHURCH OF IRELAND.

The Archbishop of Dublin gave an address yesterday morning in St. Matthias's Church to members of the Church of Ireland Men's Society. By co-operation in Christian work, he said, they would not only help their parish, but would save themselves from narrow parochialism, and so do the whole Church good. The motto of the Church of Ireland Men's Society, as would be seen, was "All in One." But its motto was not only that; it was "One in All," too, the spirit of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Captain of the Christian host. If the men of such societies in this parish, and in other parishes, could only fill themselves with that spirit, then, indeed, we might look to the future of the Church in this country, and to the future of the country itself, with hope and thankfulness.

Yesterday the Bishop of Derry was the preacher at the Service in the morning and again at the Evening Service in St. Matthias's Church, Dublin, and at each an appeal was made on behalf of the funds of the company of the Brigade connected with the church. The company's members are ninety in number, and they were present at both services, in charge of Captain Shannon and other officers, and seats were specially reserved for their accommodation. In the course of his sermon in the morning the Bishop mentioned that 210 past members of the company had joined the Army, and of those 25 had fallen in battle. In the evening the band of the company took the musical portion of the Service.

The weekly meeting for prayer on behalf of our nation, our soldiers, and sailors will be held this afternoon at 4.30 o'clock in St. Andrew's Parochial Hall, Suffolk street, Dublin.

DUBLIN SCHOOL MANAGERS.

At a meeting of the Dublin School Managers' Association (Church of Ireland) held at 28 Molesworth street, the following resolutions were passed unanimously:—

1. That the Dublin School Managers' Association hereby protest against the inadequacy of the grant provided under "the Duke scheme," for the teachers of the National schools in Ireland, and they demand that Irish teachers should receive grants fully equivalent to those provided for English and Scotch teachers.

2. That they strongly recommend that a committee on the lines adopted in Scotland, consisting of representatives of managers, teachers, and the Government be appointed to draw up a scale of salaries for the National school teachers.

3. That they consider that the allocation of the present grant, as set forth in the "White Paper" recently issued, is inequitable, and that it deals unfairly with the teachers of small schools, and with assistant teachers.

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DUBLIN AND DISTRICT.

V.A.D. Entertainment.—There was a fairly good attendance at the entertainment given on Saturday evening in the supper room of the Mansion House, and organised by the 4th V.A.D. City of Dublin British Red Cross Society. Songs, dances, a whistling solo, a sketch, and a monologue were included in the performance, and the items were well received.

Royal Zoological Society.—The Council of the Royal Zoological Society of Ireland met on Saturday, Sir Frederick Moore, President, in the chair. Notwithstanding the uncertain weather, the secretary was able to report that the average week's attendance was well maintained, there being a considerable increase at the gate for the past week as compared with the corresponding week last year. Visitors for the week, 1,100.

Queen's Theatre Concerts.—The series of Sunday concerts at the Queen's Theatre was continued last evening, when a large audience enjoyed an attractive programme. The items, which were agreeably varied, elicited general appreciation. Amongst the artists whose names figured on the programme were Miss Lena Munro, Miss Florrie Ryan, Mr. Walter McNally, Mr. M. A. O'Keeffe, Mr. P. M'Namara, and Master W. Rathborne.

Pillar Picture House.—The management of the Pillar Picture House will produce to-day and throughout the remainder of the week a film of exceptional interest in "The Crisis," by the popular American author, Winston Churchill. Dealing with America's great fight for humanity, with Abraham Lincoln as the central figure, and depicting with wonderful realism the battles incidental to that historic struggle, there is interwoven a charming love story. Special music will add to the attraction of the performances, which will be continuous from 3 till 11.

Fatal Wall Collapse.—At the inquest held by the City Coroner upon the body of Peter Mackey, builder and contractor, 48 Camden street, it was stated that on Friday, with Mr. Thomas Carton, a Mr. Conway, and Mr. O'Connor, he went to examine a wall at 17 Halston street, which was to be taken down, when a wall eight feet high forming the hall collapsed without warning. Messrs. Conway and O'Connor and the deceased man were pinned in by a heap of bricks, and Mr. Carton, who had not entered the hall, called for assistance. The injured men were taken to Jervis street hospital by ambulance. Mr. Mackey was conscious on arrival, and though an operation was performed, died in the afternoon from fracture of the skull. A verdict of accidental death was returned.

Catholic Club Concert.—The sixth Sunday concert of the season at the Catholic Club, Upper Sackville street, was given last evening, under the direction of Mr. Clarke-Barry. The programme was, as usual, a high-class and well-selected one. Mr. Clarke-Barry's own orchestra of 12 instrumentalists contributed a fine selection of music from Auber and Wagner. The principal items were excerpts from "Masaniello," "Tannhauser," and "Lohengrin," and at the close a selection from "The Yeoman of the Guard." Mr. Augustine Boland sang, in excellent style, "'Tis a Charming Girl I Love," from the "Lily of Killarney," and responded to an encore with "The Ould Plaid Shawl." He also contributed two songs in Irish—"The Yellow Road" and "The Cruiskeen Lawn." Miss Evelyn Murtagh, a young soprano, had a very warm reception in two numbers, which she sang with much charm and taste. Mr. P. W. Keogh contributed a violin solo, and Mr. Alfred Hinden a 'cello solo.

Wounded Soldiers Entertained.—The staffs of the Irish Land Commission and the Estates Commissioners were the hosts of a large party of wounded soldiers on Saturday afternoon at the Irish Automobile Association's Winter Club at Ballsbridge. Eighty-one men were conveyed to the club from the following hospitals:—Corrig Castle (Kingstown), Linden (Blackrock), Orthopaedic (Blackrock), Eye and Ear (Dublin), King George V. (Dublin), Richmond (Dublin), and Steevens' (Dublin). A large variety of indoor games were engaged in, after which a substantial tea was served. The arrangements for the tea were carried out by a number of ladies, members of the club, and their friends. An enjoyable smoking concert followed, Sir Algernon Coote, Bart., H.M.L., presiding. The following contributed much-appreciated items to the programme:—Mrs. Scales (song), Mr. Gallagher (song), banjo and guitar quartette by Mr. Maguire and others, and humorous songs by Mr. Bridge Whelan and Mr. Evans. The latter appeared in Scottish costume, and was a great success in his Lauder selections. The whole entertainment, which was admirably arranged, was greatly enjoyed by the soldiers. The men were conveyed to and from the entertainment by the Automobile Club, who supplied their ambulance service, assisted by members' cars. Members of the staffs of the Land Commission and the Estates Commissioners looked after the games, which included billiards, cricket, cards, etc., and prizes were given to the successful competitors.

Institute of Journalists.—The annual general meeting of the Dublin and Irish Association District of the Institute of Journalists was held on Saturday at 35 Dawson street, Dublin, Mr. T. F. McGahan, J.P., presiding. Mr. T. W. Murphy referred to the death in action of Mr. Gerald Harris, who had acted as hon. secretary since 1912, and served the Institute with an energy and zeal that won the admiration of every member. A resolution of deep regret at Mr. Harris's death and of sincere sympathy with his bereaved widow was passed. The report of the Committee stated that fourteen members had been elected during the year, and mentioned that action was taken regarding the appointment of local correspondents, and also with regard to securing adequate salaries for journalists in Dublin and the provinces. The report and balance sheet were adopted. Mr. Murphy, having been declared the incoming Chairman, then presided, and returned thanks. Mr. M. J. Cleere was elected hon. secretary, Mr. J. R. Molloy hon. treasurer, and Mr. H. Honahan vice-chairman. The outgoing Chairman (Mr. McGahan) was nominated for Fellowship of the Institute. Mr. Stodart seconded.

ULSTER VOLUNTEER FORCE HOSPITAL.

CURATIVE WORKSHOPS OPENED.

The curative workshops, an important auxiliary of the Abercorn wing of the Ulster Volunteer Force Hospital, Belfast were formerly opened on Saturday afternoon by Lady Cynthia Hamilton, daughter of the Duchess of Abercorn, in the presence of a large gathering. The Duchess of Abercorn was to perform the ceremony, but her Grace unexpectedly found herself unable to fulfil the engagement owing to the illness of one of her children. The opening was the first public act of Lady Cynthia Hamilton, who was accompanied by her sister, Lady Katharine.

On the motion of General Sir George Richardson, K.C.B., seconded by Dr. Howard Stevenson, the Lord Mayor took the chair.

At the request of the Chairman, Mr. F. G. MaGuire, Chairman of the Limbless Committee of the hospital, made a statement regarding the new workshops. He said that it was intended to encourage the more seriously wounded and limbless men to interest themselves in useful and productive occupations. The buildings, which had cost over £3,500, had been provided, and would, he hoped, be paid for by voluntary subscriptions from their patriotic loyal Ulster men and women. The gymnasium had been equipped by the members, staff, and friends of Messrs. Davidson and Co., Ltd., Sirocco Engineering Works, in memory of the late Captain J. S. Davidson. This gift comprises appliances for exercising every joint in the human body. A sum of £500 was being paid by the British Red Cross Society towards the equipment of the workshops, and the War Office would, he understood, give an annual grant of £500 to defray the cost of purchasing raw material, providing instructors and foremen, and running the concern generally.

Colonel Sir Robert Jones, Liverpool, pioneer and superintendent of the orthopaedic branch of the R.A.M.C., delivered an interesting address, in which he expressed his unbounded admiration at the thoroughly businesslike way in which orthopaedic work had been taken up by the Belfast Committee.

Lady Cynthia Hamilton then, amid applause, declared the branch opened. She said—I am very glad to come here to-day to open these fine workshops and gymnasium. I hope that the men who use them will be greatly benefited. I now declare them open, and wish every success in the work. (Applause.)

Two of the limbless soldiers then presented Lady Hamilton and her sister with boxes of choice chocolates.

A vote of thanks was accorded Lady Hamilton on the motion of Dr. C. R. Metcalfe, United States Medical Corps, seconded by Mr. Fred Hoey, and Lady Hamilton, in acknowledging, said that the vote of thanks and the gifts of the gold key and chocolates would always remind her of her first public act. (Applause.)

A vote of thanks was also accorded to the Lord Mayor for presiding, on the motion of Lieutenant-Colonel A. B. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. S. C. Davidson.

COMING EVENTS.

String Orchestra.—Mr. Harold R. White is to hold evening practices of a string orchestra at the Leinster School of Music. This will enable amateurs to obtain experience in concerted playing.

National Literary Society.—This evening, in the Large Hall, 63 Merrion square, Dublin, Mr. Lennox Robinson, Inspector of Carnegie Libraries, will deliver a lecture on "What We Read." Chair to be taken at 8.15.

Presbyterian Association.—The fifty-fifth annual meeting of the Presbyterian Association will be held in the rooms at 65 Grafton street, Dublin, this evening, at 8 o'clock. There will be several speakers. The President, Mr. John Mooney, C.V.O., will preside.

Missionary Pageant.—A South American Missionary Pageant will be held in the Molesworth Hall, Dublin, this evening at 8 o'clock. In addition to the pageant some musical items will be given, including a violin solo by Miss Vera Wilkinson, Sch., R.I.A.M.

St. Mark's Temperance Meeting.—This evening, at 8 o'clock, address by Mrs. Hogg, President of Irish Women's Temperance Society.

FOOTBALL.

RUGBY.—Saturday's Results:—College of Science 10, Dublin University O.T.C. 5; Belvedere College (J.C.T.) 39, Wesley College (J.C.T.) 0; Clontarf 3rd 11, Belvedere College 2nd 9.

ASSOCIATION.—Saturday's Results:—**Leinster Senior Cup, Second Round**—Bohemians 3, St. James's Gate 0; Richmond Asylum 2, Jacob's 0. **Leinster Senior League (I.)**—Shelbourne 7, University College 0. **Leinster Senior League (II.)**—C.Y.M.S. 2, Bohemians B 0. **Irish Junior Cup**—St. James's Gate 2, Olympia 0. **Leinster Junior Shield, First Round**—Y.M.C.A. 2nd 2, Jacob's 2nd 2; R.P.O. 4, Clareville 1; C.B.P.P.U. 4, Arbor Celtic 0; Glasnevin 3, Ringville 1; Leinster 3, Aberdeen 0; Dairy Engineering Co. 6, R. and S.P.U. 3; Brooklyn 3, Olympia 2. **Leinster Minor Cup, First Round**—St. Michael's 5, Jacob's 4; Annally 5, Brookdene 0; Olympia 2, Leinster 1; Summerville 3, Drumcondra 1. **Lancashire Section**—Port Vale 1, Blackpool 0; Burnley 1, Southport Central 0; Bury 4, Oldham Athletic 0; Liverpool 5, Manchester U. 1; Everton 2, Manchester City 0; Preston North End 2, Bolton Wanderers 0; Rochdale 6, Blackburn Rovers 0; Stoke 2, Stockport Co. 1. **Midland Section**—Bradford 2, Notts Forest 0 (abandoned); Huddersfield 4, Birmingham 2; Sheffield United 4, Hull City 2; Leeds City 4, Leicester Fosse 2; Notts Co. 2, Bradford City 2; Rotherham 2, Lincoln City 0; Sheffield Wednesday v. Grimsby Town, off. **London Combination**—West Ham 2, Tottenham H. 2; Queen's Park Rangers 6, Clapton 1; Arsenal 4, Chelsea 1; Fulham 4, Millwall 2; Brentford 4, Crystal Palace 3. **Scottish League**—All matches off. **Belfast matches off owing to flooded state of the grounds.**

BILLIARDS.

Triangular Tournament.—Inman v. Reece.—These professionals continued the second heat of 18,000 up level at Leicester square, London, on Saturday. In the afternoon Inman increased his lead by scoring 583 to 462, but the averages were only 13 and 10 respectively. The highest compilations were 102, 48, and 234 by Inman, and 45 and 151 by Reece. In the evening Reece made a brilliant break of 410, but his only other runs were 45, 43, and 46. Inman's chief responses realised 75, 56, 64, 97, and 40, and the champion now leads by 958. Inman averaged 24 and Reece 32. Present scores:—Inman, 7,068; Reece (in play), 6,110.

Stevenson v. Aiken.—There were capital attendances at both sessions of this match of 18,000 up at Edinburgh on Saturday, when outdoor sports were non-existent. Closing scores:—Aiken (rec. 2,000), 9,865; Stevenson, 7,996.

GOLF.—Entertainments for Wounded Soldiers.—The following entertainments will be held at the Irish Automobile Club's Winter Club for Wounded Soldiers, R.D.S. premises, Ballsbridge, during the week:—To-morrow, Portmarnock G.C.; Wednesday, Foxrock G.C. The Stock Exchange Golfing Society and Milltown G.C. gave entertainments during the past week.

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LAW COURTS.

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SPORTING NEWS.

CHANTICLEER'S NOTES.

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, SATURDAY.

At the time of writing one cannot doubt that steeplechasing at Gatwick will proceed as arranged, but so much snow and rain have been lately experienced in the district the ground is bound to be very heavy, and by Thursday it will be considerably cut up after four days' use. On the opening afternoon some of the horses selected below may win:—

Warnham Hurdle Plate—**Londerry.**
Four Years' Hurdle Plate—**Corydon.**
Tinsley Steeplechase—**Sir Percy.**
Moderate Hurdle Race—**Regal** or **Farakabad.**
Kingswood Steeplechase—**Chang.**
Pegasus Steeplechase—**Mr. Pick.**

Chanticleer.

GATWICK MEETING—THIS DAY.

PROGRAMME.

12.30—THE WARNHAM SELLING HURDLE RACE of £85. 2 m.

	Age	st.	lb.		Age	st.	lb.
Carol Singer	a	11	10	Curraghgour	a	11	10
Canute	6	11	10	New York	a	11	10
Blind Hookey	a	11	10	Londerry	a	11	10
Saucepan	a	11	10	Best Boy	a	11	10
Crossbea	a	11	10	Green Falcon	a	11	10
Guenoc	6	11	10	Climax	a	11	10
Zermatt	6	11	10	West	a	11	10
Fashion	a	11	10	Siller	a	11	10
Catchpenny	a	11	10	Leeds Crag	5	11	6
Drumlanrig	a	11	10	Cormac	5	11	6
Glatz	6	11	10	Little China	4	10	10
Per Annum	a	11	10	Carburine	4	10	10

1.15—THE FOUR-YEAR-OLD HURDLE RACE of £95. 1½ m.

	st.	lb.		st.	lb.
Corydon	11	3	Joyless	10	10
Waltz	10	10	John Beaufort	10	10
Golden Square	10	10	Midnight Sun	10	10
Denis d'Or	10	10	Tantalus	10	10
Sir Mark	10	10	Tufa	10	10
Prime Value	10	10	Willing	10	10
Wrecker	10	10	Silver Saint	10	10
Landmark	10	10	Cresset	10	10
Nereid	10	10	The Runner	10	10
Bimini	10	10	Square Cut	10	10
Lawrenny Lass	10	10	Tagrag	10	10
Tenby	10	10	Derision	10	10
Johna	10	10	Fleetwood	10	10
The Settler	10	10	Golden Cup	10	10
Tame Bird	10	10	Laugh	10	10

1.45—THE TINSLEY SELLING STEEPLECHASE of £85. 2 m.

	Age	st.	lb.		Age	st.	lb.
Cooldreen	a	12	3	Castleton	a	12	3
Angus	a	12	3	Perimac	a	11	12
Drinaugh	a	12	3	Sir Percy	a	11	12
Gritborpe	a	12	3	Jim May	a	11	12

2.15—THE MODERATE HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of £100. 2 m.

	Age	st.	lb.		Age	st.	lb.
Toadstone	6	12	7	Sedberghian	6	11	7
Regal	6	12	5	Caxton	6	11	7
Marnix	5	12	0	Transvaal	a	11	5
Farakabad	a	11	12	Ossory	4	11	4
St. Ronald	6	11	12	Sir Artegal	a	11	2
Ophion	5	11	9	Hunting Crop	4	11	1
Minoratas	5	11	8	Svindane	4	11	0

2.45—THE KINGSWOOD HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £100. 3 m.

	Age	st.	lb.		Age	st.	lb.
Irish Mail	a	12	7	Shaun Spadah	a	11	1
Vermouth	a	12	7	Ballymacad	a	11	0
Eugenist	a	12	6	Wavertree	a	11	0
Mask Off	a	11	5	Breakout	a	11	0
Poethlyn	a	11	5	Sunloch	a	10	12
Top Hope (7lb. ex.)	a	11	4	Schoolmoney	a	10	12
Minster Vale	a	11	3	Chang	a	10	6
Ballykisteen	a	11	1	United	a	10	0
				Skylark VII.	a	10	0

3.15—THE PEGASUS HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £100. 2 m.

	Age	st.	lb.		Age	st.	lb.
Wavylace (10lb. ex.)	a	13	2	Hannibal	a	11	10
Valentine Maher	a	12	7	Drinaugh	a	11	8
Alfred Noble	a	12	6	Loch Allen	a	11	4
Real Grit	a	12	0	Tolier	a	11	0
Kenia	a	11	12	Antipater	6	11	0
				Mr. Pick	a	10	12
				Succubus	a	10	7

ARRIVALS.—The following have arrived or are expected:—Angus, Aynsley, Best Boy, Ballymacad, Ballykisteen, Bimini, Canute, Carol Singer, Caxton, Chuckberry, Court Bleddyn, Cresset, Cock of the Rock, Castleton, Curraghgour, Corydon, Drinaugh, Drumlanrig, Eugenist, Excelsior, Farakabad, First Smoke, Fashion, Flycar, Guenoc, Glatz, Golden Cup, Golden Square, Hainaby, Hannibal, Heathercombe, Hollins Lane, Irish Mail, Irish Rebellion, John A., John Beaufort, John Jackett, Kenia, Land-Mark, Leeds Crag, Little China, Loch Allen, Londerry, Marie's Pride, Mr. Pick, Mark Back, Midnight Sun, Minaratus, Nereid, Naxos, New York, Ophion, Per Annum, Phidias, Platonic, Prince Francis, Rough and Ready, Real Grit, Rubecula, Saintly Maude, The Settler, Shaun Spadah, Schoolmaster, Siller, Stainton, Svendune, Tantalus, Toadstone, Transvaal, Tufa, The Village Schoolmaster, Watergruel, Wavertree, West, White Prophet, Wrecker, and Zermatt.

DEATH OF MR. E. P. WILSON.

The death took place on Saturday at Stratford-on-Avon of Mr. E. P. Wilson, a famous cross-country rider of the seventies and eighties. Mr. Wilson, who was 71 years of age, won, before he was 21, the Birmingham Grand Annual Steeplechase on Tiger. He won the National Hunt Steeplechase on five occasions, four of them consecutive, in 1877 on the Duke of Hamilton's Bear, in 1881 on Mr. Talbot's Pride of Prussia, in 1882 on Mr. Jenkins's Llantarnum, in 1883 on Mr. Tritton's Satellite, and in 1884 on Mr. Howett's Equity. He also won the Liverpool Grand National in 1884 on Voluptuary, and in the following year on Roquefort. He was closely identified with the victories of Congress, one of the best steeplechasers that ever ran. Among the races he accounted for were the Grand Sefton Steeplechase in 1873 and the Leamington Grand Annual in 1875 and 1876.

COURSING.

LEIGH (TWO MILE BORRIS) MEETING—TO-DAY.

Judge—Mr. P. J. Murphy. Slipper—Mr. P. J. Kinane.

THE DRAW.

LEIGH STAKES—For 13 puppies.

Mr. Condon's **Noble Arrow** agst. Mr. Darcy's **Earlscourt II.**; Mr. Bourke's **Blanche Beau** agst. Mr. Morriss's **Tide Foam**; Mr. Ryan's **Roaring Rebel** agst. Mr. Condon's **Flying Arrow**; Mr. Butler ns. **Queer Times** agst. Mr. Commons ns. **Gallant Pearse**; Mr. Fahey's **Charlie Marshall** agst. Mr. Butler's **Brave Fox**; Mr. Mulvihill's **Old Style II.** agst. Mr. Dwyer ns. **Royal Rambler**; Mr. Ryan ns. **Last Smoke**, a bye.

TWO-MILE-BORRIS STAKES—For 8 all-ages.

Mr. Bowe ns. **Heather Bloom II.** agst. Mr. Dwyer's **Mutiny**; Mr. Leahy ns. **Let Her Out** agst. Mr. Duggan ns. **Flying Queen IV.**; Mr. Tynan's **Trepoff** agst. Mr. O'Keeffe's **Knockbritt**; Mr. Tynan's **Munition** agst. Mr. English ns. **Bendsdorf.**

LONGFORDPASS STAKES—For 14 all-ages.

Mr. Maher ns. **Timekeeper II.** agst. Mr. Woodlock's **Wild Man III.**; Mr. Bradshaw's **Sweet Revenge** agst. Mr. Campion ns. **Fennor Hill**; Mr. Vaughan ns. **Spitfire** agst. Mr. Bradshaw's **Hushed Up**; Mr. O'Connell's **Princely Pat** agst. Mr. Bourke ns. **Copper Boy**; Mr. Donnolly's **Nelly Hayes** agst. Mr. English's **Hell Len**; Mr. Dempsey ns. **Mislead** agst. Mr. M'Loughney ns. **Overland Beauty**; Mr. Hayes ns. **Full Stop** agst. Mr. Dwyer's **Hillside Rover III.**

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

THE WARD UNION.

Date—Jan.	Meet.	Hour.
Wed., 23	10-Mile Bush	1.30
Sat., 26	Hollywoodrath Gate	1.30

THE KILDARE.

Wed., 23	The Kennels	11.0
Thurs., 24	Ballymount Chapel	11.0
Sat., 26	Enfield	11.0

THE MEATH.

Tues., 22	Rahinston	11.0
Fri., 25	Priestown	11.0

HUNTING FIXTURES.

FINGAL HARRIERS.—Meet to-morrow at Seven Milestone, Ashbourne road, at 12 o'clock.

HOCKEY.—Saturday's Result:—Muckross College 5, Wesley College 3.

MUNSTER HERB GROWERS.

MEETING OF CORK ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Munster Herb Growing and Collecting Association was held on Saturday in the Clarence Room, Imperial Hotel, Cork. Sir Bertram Windle (Chairman) presided, and there were also present:—The Countess of Bandon, the Bishop of Cork, Cloyne, and Ross, Lady Dobbin, and many others.

Mr. C. J. Lane, solicitor, Hon. Secretary, read the report, which stated that—

Through the kindness of the President and Governing Body of University College, Cork, a site in their grounds was given free for the erection of the drying shed, which was accordingly erected there at a cost of £177 15/6. It was completed for use in May, 1917. The services of Miss Margaret Walsh were procured as superintendent, and she was sent over to England to be trained, and entered upon her duties immediately the shed was complete. The Committee have aimed at organising the growing and collecting of herbs throughout the province of Munster, but, so far, their efforts outside the county of Cork have not met with much success, owing, chiefly, to the difficulty of the carriage of fresh herbs from a distance. In the county of Cork, however, the quantity of material collected, though not all that might have been desired, has, on the whole, been satisfactory. District members were appointed in a number of centres, who organised the work in their respective districts, and up to the end of 1917 300 consignments of material were received at the drying shed, for which the sum of £63 8/- has been paid to the collectors, and 15 cwt. 2 qrs. 16 lb. of dry herbs were sold, realising £79 7/11, and there was in stock at the end of the year a quantity of dry material, the value of which is estimated at £20. There was a considerable amount of waste, especially at the beginning of the season, owing to the unsuitable packing of consignments and the consequent heating of material. The total amount of the donations received is £169 12/-, and the special subscriptions for 1917 amounted to £30 15/-, and the amount promised for 1918 is £38 15/-. With regard to the ordinary subscriptions paid by members, those who originally joined the United Irish Herb Association paid their subscriptions to that Association, but a sum of £22 14/- out of the moneys so paid was subsequently recovered. The subscriptions paid direct amounted to £36, and thus the total receipts, including value of stock in hand, for the year were £358 8/11. The total expenditure for the year was £365 11/-, which shows a loss of £7 2/1. The Committee regret that the working of the business of the Association has not been entirely satisfactory up to the present, for reasons which have been fully explained in a recent circular. The business arrangements have, however, now been put on a proper basis, and they have every reason to hope that, with the co-operation of the members, all will work smoothly in the future. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. A. F. Sharman-Crawford, in moving the adoption of the report and statement of accounts, said that, taking all together, he thought it was very satisfactory to find that after their first year's working they only lost £7, although they had innumerable difficulties to contend with. They had now the whole of their organisation working smoothly and the drying shed fully equipped. He knew that many of the collectors must have been disappointed at many periods during the year owing to the difficulties they had to contend with. They would have been greatly hampered were it not that Sir Bertram Windle placed the college at their disposal, and also some members of the staff gave them much valued assistance; but they, like themselves, had to learn the work. It was satisfactory for them to know that the herbs they sent over were said to be of excellent quality, which showed that their drying arrangements were good. (Applause.) They had to thank Mr. Downey, the bursar of the college, for kindly giving them his services in starting a system of accounts. There was one fact he had grasped, and that was that it was not going to be a money-making concern, and that they would have to work for patriotic reasons, for it would be a deplorable thing if this industry was allowed to go back again into the hands of foreigners. He thought that a considerable amount of work could be done by educating their children into herb-growing and collecting. Some children whom he had employed to collect gathered 4½ cwt. of foxglove, and received £2 3s. for it. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. J. F. McMullen, J.P., in seconding the adoption of the report, said he was sure that they were not in that work to make money, but to form a real service to the country. (Applause.)

Mr. E. Leigh White, in supporting the motion, said that in his district he found a general willingness to help the movement, but when spoken to, the people all gave him the same answer—that they would do their best, but that owing to the shortage of labour and the fact that all their available space was required for extra supplies of vegetables, etc., they could only grow small quantities; but if they all grew them even in small quantities it would help materially.

The Chairman said in that important matter everyone could help a little, not only those with big gardens, but also the plotholders, and in doing so they would benefit themselves. The real difficulty was to get the herbs collected, and what they must hope for was to get the school children educated into the collection of them, and also have district members who would interest themselves in the matter. In this connection he might mention that the Countess of Bandon had seen Dr. Starkie, the Resident Commissioner of Education, and that gentleman had promised to interest himself in the matter. If they got the school teachers to interest themselves in it, the interest of the children would follow. Great credit was due to Mr. Griffin, the head gardener at the college; to Mr. Downey, also connected with the college; and to Miss Walsh and Miss O'Leary, M.A., for all they had done for the Association.

Mr. E. W. Barnes gave details of some experiments that he had made.

Mrs. Broadley thought it would be a great matter if they could interest the nurserymen in the movement, owing to their expert knowledge.

Mr. Lane said they were going to arrange for a distribution of herb seeds to growers, because the Association by buying them in bulk would get them cheaper.

The Countess of Bandon appealed to the ladies in the different districts to take up the positions of district members.

The report and statement of accounts were passed unanimously, on the motion of Mr. Leigh White, seconded by Mrs. Cooke Collis. The existing Committee were re-elected.

DUBLIN CASTLE RED CROSS HOSPITAL.

The Committee of the Dublin Castle Red Cross Hospital at their meeting on the 18th inst., having been informed of the death of Mrs. Cullinan, wife of the High Sheriff of the County of Meath, and a great supporter and friend of the hospital, of which she was a member of the Committee of Management, passed a resolution of sympathy with her relatives. It was proposed by Sir John Lynch, Vice-Chairman of the Committee of Management, and seconded by Mr. William Martin Murphy, J.P., Chairman of the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

Oscar Harmen, manager of a machine tool works at Coventry, was prosecuted at that city on Saturday for food hoarding, and convicted in five cases. Four hundred pounds of tea and large quantities of sugar, sardines, butter, and hams were found in his house. He was sentenced to a month's imprisonment and fined £500, with £50 costs. The defendant swooned on hearing the sentence. Notice of appeal was given.

A "Spring Show" at the Quays.—There were more exhibits of modern agricultural machinery, implements, and dairy appliances on view recently at the Dublin quays than were ever gathered together at a Spring Show on the Ballsbridge grounds of the Royal Dublin Society—even in its palmiest days. Petrol and paraffin tractors, diggers, sowers, reapers, cultivators, and other farm labour speeders and savers were amongst the exhibits, and American and English manufactures appeared to share the Irish orders pretty fairly between them.

ENGINEERS AND MAN-POWER.

The series of conferences which have been taking place between the Minister of National Service and representatives of other Government departments and the trade unions concluded on Friday with a final meeting of the General Conference. A series of group conferences has been held, the constitution of the groups having been settled in accordance with the wishes expressed by the General Conference itself. The Amalgamated Society of Engineers, which had been invited to the General Conference, were also invited to the conference of the Engineering Group, but did not attend. At the final meeting of the General Conference on Friday the Minister of National Service stated that he had again been asked by the Amalgamated Society of Engineers to meet representatives of that society separately from the other societies in the Engineering Group. He had adhered to the decision given at the previous meeting of the General Conference, and had declined to hold a separate meeting, but had repeated his invitation to the Amalgamated Society to join in a further conference with the Engineering Group, and to attend the General Conference held that day. Sir Auckland Geddes proposed to the conference that a further opportunity should be afforded to the Amalgamated Society to attend a meeting of the Engineering Group. The conference endorsed this proposal, and expressed the desire that, as the General Conference would not reassemble, two representatives should also be present from each of the other groups. This decision and invitation were communicated to the Amalgamated Society of Engineers and declined by them.

STATEMENT BY A.S.E.

In the course of an official statement on the man-power question, the Amalgamated Society of Engineers state that, from their point of view, the military needs of the country do not justify the Government in abrogating its pledge, wherein it is emphatically laid down that all male diluted labour liable for general military service shall first be withdrawn. It is, therefore, not a question of leaving young men in workshops and taking the older men for military service; it is a question simply of fulfilling pledges and taking the "dilutees" of military age and fitness, who, had it not been for the engineering industrial activity, would not have been in the engineering industry. The Engineers state that they cannot agree to skilled men being taken and the "dilutees" left.

It is officially announced that Sir Auckland Geddes will visit Glasgow to confer with the Clyde workers on the subject of the Man-Power Bill. The date of the visit is not yet fixed.

RAILWAYMEN AND TRIP TO THE FRONT.

The Press Association is informed that at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen, held at the Grafton Hotel, Gower street, on Saturday, it was decided not to send representatives to the front, as invited by the Government. The reason given was that railwaymen in the country are already worked many hours overtime daily, and the sending away for several days of thirty-five of their number, as suggested, would throw increased work on those remaining at home. Further, they were satisfied that workers in this country were already fully cognisant of the horrors now taking place at the front.

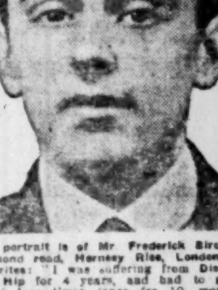
OBITUARY.

MR. JOHN E. FERGUSON.

The death is announced of Mr. John E. Ferguson, son of Mr. George Ferguson, of Lakelands Park, Terenure. The deceased gentleman, whose family are well-known in Dublin, was at one time representative for a number of leading English drapery houses in Ireland. Four months ago, having recently returned from Canada, he sought to join the Colours. He was not successful, and offered his services to the Y.M.C.A. for work in France and was accepted. The work at a lonely advanced railhead on ground recently vacated by the Germans, proved too much for his strength, and a serious illness supervened. He arrived in Dublin last Monday, and died at his residence on Friday morning. The sympathy of many friends will go out to his family. Mr. Ferguson's two brothers are serving with the Colours.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CLERGYMAN AND THE CONVENTION.

Speaking at a meeting in Athlone on Friday night to promote the Dean Kelly Memorial, Very Rev. Canon Keane regretted the absence of the Chairman, which was worthily explained by his attendance at the National Convention. They all looked forward to the Convention with the greatest hope for good results, and he believed they would not ultimately be disappointed. Acknowledging the generosity of Protestant subscribers to the memorial, he said if the same spirit animated the rest of Ireland that prevailed in Athlone they would have very little necessity for any Convention to set up a Parliament. There they had among them many persuasions, but they all lived amicably together, helping and assisting and encouraging one another in the common affairs of life and without knowing any creed distinctions in their daily relations. Why could not that spirit prevail all over Ireland? He believed the day was coming when it would. (Applause.)



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CHURCH OF IRELAND.

The Archbishop of Dublin gave an address yesterday morning in St. Matthias's Church to members of the Church of Ireland Men's Society. By co-operation in Christian work, he said, they would not only help their parish, but would save themselves from narrow parochialism, and so do the whole Church good. The motto of the Church of Ireland Men's Society, as would be seen, was "All in One." But its motto was not only that; it was "One in All," too, the spirit of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Captain of the Christian host. If the men of such societies in this parish, and in other parishes, could only fill themselves with that spirit, then, indeed, we might look to the future of the Church in this country, and to the future of the country itself, with hope and thankfulness.

Yesterday the Bishop of Derry was the preacher at the Service in the morning and again at the Evening Service in St. Matthias's Church, Dublin, and at each an appeal was made on behalf of the funds of the company of the Brigade connected with the church. The company's members are ninety in number, and they were present at both services, in charge of Captain Shannon and other officers, and seats were specially reserved for their accommodation. In the course of his sermon in the morning the Bishop mentioned that 210 past members of the company had joined the Army, and of those 25 had fallen in battle. In the evening the band of the company took the musical porition of the Service.

The weekly meeting for prayer on behalf of our nation, our soldiers, and sailors will be held this afternoon at 4.30 o'clock in St. Andrew's Parochial Hall, Suffolk street, Dublin.

DUBLIN SCHOOL MANAGERS.

At a meeting of the Dublin School Managers' Association (Church of Ireland) held at 28 Molesworth street, the following resolutions were passed unanimously:—

1. That the Dublin School Managers' Association hereby protest against the inadequacy of the grant provided under "the Duke scheme," for the teachers of the National schools in Ireland, and they demand that Irish teachers should receive grants fully equivalent to those provided for English and Scotch teachers.

2. That they strongly recommend that a committee on the lines adopted in Scotland, consisting of representatives of managers, teachers, and the Government be appointed to draw up a scale of salaries for the National school teachers.

3. That they consider that the allocation of the present grant, as set forth in the "White Paper" recently issued, is inequitable, and that it deals unfairly with the teachers of small schools, and with assistant teachers.

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DUBLIN AND DISTRICT.

V.A.D. Entertainment.—There was a fairly good attendance at the entertainment given on Saturday evening in the supper room of the Mansion House, and organised by the 4th V.A.D. City of Dublin British Red Cross Society. Songs, dances, a whistling solo, a sketch, and a monologue were included in the performance, and the items were well received.

Royal Zoological Society.—The Council of the Royal Zoological Society of Ireland met on Saturday, Sir Frederick Moore, President, in the chair. Notwithstanding the uncertain weather, the Secretary was able to report that the average week's attendance was well maintained, there being a considerable increase at the gate for the past week as compared with the corresponding week last year. Visitors for the week, 1,100.

Queen's Theatre Concerts.—The series of Sunday concerts at the Queen's Theatre was continued last evening, when a large audience enjoyed an attractive programme. The items, which were agreeably varied, elicited general appreciation. Amongst the artists whose names figured on the programme were Miss Lena Munro, Miss Florrie Ryan, Mr. Walter McNally, Mr. M. A. O'Keeffe, Mr. P. M'Namara, and Master W. Rathborne.

Pillar Picture House.—The management of the Pillar Picture House will produce to-day and throughout the remainder of the week a film of exceptional interest in "The Crisis," by the popular American author, Winston Churchill. Dealing with America's great fight for humanity, with Abraham Lincoln as the central figure, and depicting with wonderful realism the battles incidental to that historic struggle, there is interwoven a charming love story. Special music will add to the attraction of the performances, which will be continuous from 1 till 11.

Fatal Wall Collapse.—At the inquest held by the City Coroner upon the body of Peter Mackey, builder and contractor, 48 Camden street, it was stated that on Friday, with Mr. Thomas Carton, a Mr. Conway, and Mr. O'Connor, he went to examine a wall at 17 Halston street, which was to be taken down, when a wall eight feet high forming the hall collapsed without warning. Messrs. Conway and O'Connor and the deceased man were pinned in by a heap of bricks, and Mr. Carton, who had not entered the hall, called for assistance. The injured men were taken to Jervis street hospital by ambulance. Mr. Mackey was conscious on arrival, and though an operation was performed, died in the afternoon from fracture of the skull. A verdict of accidental death was returned.

Catholic Club Concert.—The sixth Sunday concert of the season at the Catholic Club, Upper Sackville street, was given last evening, under the direction of Mr. Clarke-Barry. The programme was, as usual, a high-class and well-selected one. Mr. Clarke-Barry's own orchestra of 12 instrumentalists contributed a fine selection of music from Auber and Wagner. The principal items were excerpts from "Masaniello," "Tannhauser," and "Lohengrin," and at the close a selection from "The Yeoman of the Guard." Mr. Augustine Boland sang, in excellent style, "'Tis a Charming Girl I Love," from the "Lily of Killarney," and responded to an encore with "The Ould Plaid Shawl." He also contributed two songs in Irish—"The Yellow Road" and "The Cruiskeen Lawn." Miss Evelyn Murtagh, a young soprano, had a very warm reception in two numbers, which she sang with much charm and taste. Mr. P. W. Keogh contributed a violin solo, and Mr. Alfred Hinden a 'cello solo.

Wounded Soldiers Entertained.—The staffs of the Irish Land Commission and the Estates Commissioners were the hosts of a large party of wounded soldiers on Saturday afternoon at the Irish Automobile Association's Winter Club at Ballsbridge. Eighty-one men were conveyed to the club from the following hospitals:—Corrig Castle (Kingstown), Linden (Blackrock), Orthopaedic (Blackrock), Eye and Ear (Dublin), King George V. (Dublin), Richmond (Dublin), and Steevens' (Dublin). A large variety of indoor games were engaged in, after which a substantial tea was served. The arrangements for the tea were carried out by a number of ladies, members of the club, and their friends. An enjoyable smoking concert followed, Sir Algernon Coote, Bart., H.M.L., presiding. The following contributed much-appreciated items to the programme:—Mrs. Scales (song), Mr. Gallagher (song), banjo and guitar quartette by Mr. Maguire and others, and humorous songs by Mr. Bridge Whelan and Mr. Evans. The latter appeared in Scottish costume, and was a great success in his Lauder selections. The whole entertainment, which was admirably arranged, was greatly enjoyed by the soldiers. The men were conveyed to and from the entertainment by the Automobile Club, who supplied their ambulance service, assisted by members' cars. Members of the staffs of the Land Commission and the Estates Commissioners looked after the games, which included billiards, cricket, cards, etc., and prizes were given to the successful competitors.

Institute of Journalists.—The annual general meeting of the Dublin and Irish Association District of the Institute of Journalists was held on Saturday at 35 Dawson street, Dublin, Mr. T. F. McGahan, J.P., presiding. Mr. T. W. Murphy referred to the death in action of Mr. Gerald Harris, who had acted as hon. secretary since 1912, and served the Institute with an energy and zeal that won the admiration of every member. A resolution of deep regret at Mr. Harris's death and of sincere sympathy with his bereaved widow was passed. The report of the Committee stated that fourteen members had been elected during the year, and mentioned that action was taken regarding the appointment of local correspondents, and also with regard to securing adequate salaries for journalists in Dublin and the provinces. The report and balance sheet were adopted. Mr. Murphy, having been declared the incoming Chairman, then presided, and returned thanks. Mr. M. J. Cleere was elected hon. secretary, Mr. J. R. Molloy hon. treasurer, and Mr. H. Honahan vice-chairman. The outgoing Chairman (Mr. McGahan) was nominated for Fellowship of the Institute. Mr. Stodart seconded.

ULSTER VOLUNTEER FORCE HOSPITAL.

CURATIVE WORKSHOPS OPENED.

The curative workshops, an important auxiliary of the Abercorn wing of the Ulster Volunteer Force Hospital, Belfast were formerly opened on Saturday afternoon by Lady Cynthia Hamilton, daughter of the Duchess of Abercorn, in the presence of a large gathering. The Duchess of Abercorn was to perform the ceremony, but her Grace unexpectedly found herself unable to fulfil the engagement owing to the illness of one of her children. The opening was the first public act of Lady Cynthia Hamilton, who was accompanied by her sister, Lady Katharine.

On the motion of General Sir George Richardson, K.C.B., seconded by Dr. Howard Stevenson, the Lord Mayor took the chair.

At the request of the Chairman, Mr. F. G. MaGuire, Chairman of the Limbless Committee of the hospital, made a statement regarding the new workshops. He said that it was intended to encourage the more seriously wounded and limbless men to interest themselves in useful and productive occupations. The buildings, which had cost over £3,500, had been provided, and would, he hoped, be paid for by voluntary subscriptions from their patriotic loyal Ulster men and women. The gymnasium had been equipped by the members, staff, and friends of Messrs. Davidson and Co., Ltd., Sirocco Engineering Works, in memory of the late Captain J. S. Davidson. This gift comprises appliances for exercising every joint in the human body. A sum of £500 was being paid by the British Red Cross Society towards the equipment of the workshops, and the War Office would, he understood, give an annual grant of £500 to defray the cost of purchasing raw material, providing instructors and foremen, and running the concern generally.

Colonel Sir Robert Jones, Liverpool, pioneer and superintendent of the orthopaedic branch of the R.A.M.C., delivered an interesting address, in which he expressed his unbounded admiration at the thoroughly businesslike way in which orthopaedic work had been taken up by the Belfast Committee.

Lady Cynthia Hamilton then, amid applause, declared the branch opened. She said—I am very glad to come here to-day to open these fine workshops and gymnasium. I hope that the men who use them will be greatly benefited. I now declare them open, and wish every success in the work. (Applause.)

Two of the limbless soldiers then presented Lady Hamilton and her sister with boxes of choice chocolates.

A vote of thanks was accorded Lady Hamilton on the motion of Dr. C. R. Metcalfe, United States Medical Corps, seconded by Mr. Fred Hoey, and Lady Hamilton, in acknowledging, said that the vote of thanks and the gifts of the gold key and chocolates would always remind her of her first public act. (Applause.)

A vote of thanks was also accorded to the Lord Mayor for presiding, on the motion of Lieutenant-Colonel A. B. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. S. C. Davidson.

COMING EVENTS.

String Orchestra.—Mr. Harold R. White is to hold evening practices of a string orchestra at the Leinster School of Music. This will enable amateurs to obtain experience in concerted playing.

National Literary Society.—This evening, in the Large Hall, 63 Merrion square, Dublin, Mr. Lennox Robinson, Inspector of Carnegie Libraries, will deliver a lecture on "What We Read." Chair to be taken at 8.15.

Presbyterian Association.—The fifty-fifth annual meeting of the Presbyterian Association will be held in the rooms at 85 Grafton street, Dublin, this evening, at 8 o'clock. There will be several speakers. The President, Mr. John Mooney, C.V.O., will preside.

Missionary Pageant.—A South American Missionary Pageant will be held in the Molesworth Hall, Dublin, this evening at 8 o'clock. In addition to the pageant some musical items will be given, including a violin solo by Miss Vera Wilkinson, Sch., R.I.A.M.

St. Mark's Temperance Meeting.—This evening, at 8 o'clock, address by Mrs. Hogg, President of Irish Women's Temperance Society.

FOOTBALL.

RUGBY.—Saturday's Results:—College of Science 10, Dublin University O.T.C. 5; Belvedere College (J.C.T.) 39, Wesley College (J.C.T.) 0; Clontarf 3rd 11, Belvedere College 2nd 9.

ASSOCIATION.—Saturday's Results:—**Leinster Senior Cup, Second Round**—Bohemians 3, St. James's Gate 0; Richmond Asylum 2, Jacob's 0. **Leinster Senior League (I.)**—Shelbourne 7, University College 0. **Leinster Senior League (II.)**—C.Y.M.S. 2, Bohemians B 0. **Irish Junior Cup**—St. James's Gate 2, Olympia 0. **Leinster Junior Shield, First Round**—Y.M.C.A. 2nd 2, Jacob's 2nd 2; R.P.O. 4, Clareville 1; C.B.P.P.U. 4, Arbor Celtic 0; Glasnevin 3, Ringville 1; Leinster 3, Aberdeen 0; Dairy Engineering Co. 6, R. and S.P.U. 3; Brooklyn 3, Olympia 2. **Leinster Minor Cup, First Round**—St. Michael's 5, Jacob's 4; Annally 5, Brookdene 0; Olympia 2, Leinster 1; Summerville 3, Drumcondra 1. **Lancashire Section**—Port Vale 1, Blackpool 0; Burnley 1, Southport Central 0; Bury 4, Oldham Athletic 0; Liverpool 5, Manchester U. 1; Everton 2, Manchester City 0; Preston North End 2, Bolton Wanderers 0; Rochdale 6, Blackburn Rovers 0; Stoke 2, Stockport Co. 1. **Midland Section**—Bradford 2, Notts Forest 0 (abandoned); Huddersfield 4, Birmingham 2; Sheffield United 4, Hull City 2; Leeds City 4, Leicester Fosse 2; Notts Co. 2, Bradford City 2; Rotherham 2, Lincoln City 0; Sheffield Wednesday v. Grimsby Town, off. **London Combination**—West Ham 2, Tottenham H. 2; Queen's Park Rangers 6, Clapton 1; Arsenal 4, Chelsea 1; Fulham 4, Millwall 2; Brentford 4, Crystal Palace 3. **Scottish League**—All matches off. **Belfast** matches off owing to flooded state of the grounds.

BILLIARDS.

Triangular Tournament.—Inman v. Reece.—These professionals continued the second heat of 18,000 up level at Leicester square, London, on Saturday. In the afternoon Inman increased his lead by scoring 585 to 462, but the averages were only 13 and 10 respectively. The highest compilations were 102, 48, and 234 by Inman, and 45 and 151 by Reece. In the evening Reece made a brilliant break of 410, but his only other runs were 45, 43, and 46. Inman's chief responses realised 75, 58, 64, 97, and 40, and the champion now leads by 958. Inman averaged 24 and Reece 32. Present scores:—Inman, 7,068; Reece (in play), 6,110.

Stevenson v. Aiken.—There were capital attendances at both sessions of this match of 18,000 up at Edinburgh on Saturday, when outdoor sports were non-existent. Closing scores:—Aiken (rec. 2,000), 9,865; Stevenson, 7,996.

GOLF.—Entertainments for Wounded Soldiers.—The following entertainments will be held at the Irish Automobile Club's Winter Club for Wounded Soldiers, R.D.S. premises, Ballsbridge, during the week:—To-morrow, Portmarnock G.C.; Wednesday, Foxrock G.C. The Stock Exchange Golfing Society and Milltown G.C. gave entertainments during the past week.

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4. Merry Wives of Windsor .... Nicolai.
5. Ballet Music from Faust .... Gounod.
6. Three Dream Dances .... Coleridge-Taylor.
7. Caprice Hongroise .... Lederer.
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CHARLES POWER,
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The Chair will be taken at 8 p.m. by Very Rev. T. V. Nolan, S.J. The other Speakers will be the Right Hon. W. J. M. Starkie, M.A., Litt.D., Chairman of the Intermediate Education Board, and Professor R. M. Henry, M.A., Queen's University, Belfast. Cards of Admission may be obtained from E. H. Alton, M.A., F.T.C.D., Trinity College, or P. Semple, M.A., University College, Dublin, Hon. Secretaries.

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INTERMEDIATE GRADE.—Honours Certificate—Coghill, Rhoda S. (Piano). Teacher, Miss Patricia Read.
INTERMEDIATE GRADE.—Pass Certificates—Cassin, Mary A. (Piano); teacher, Miss M. Redmond, L.R.A.M.; Trayer, Flossie (Piano); teachers, Presentation Sisters, Convent, Fethard.
RUDIMENTS OF MUSIC.—Pass Certificates—Cochill, Rhoda S.; teacher, Miss Patricia Read. Hillis, Norah E.; teacher, Miss J. A. Malvern, A.R.C.M. Sillery-Connors, Aileen; teacher, Miss Gertrude Boomer.
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TO THE PARLIAMENTARY ELECTORS OF MID-ARMAGH.

GENTLEMEN,—

A vacancy having been caused in the representation of this Division by the elevation of my brother, Sir John B. Lonsdale, Bart., to the Peerage, and having been selected by the Delegates of the Mid-Armagh Constitutional Association as the official Unionist Candidate, I have the honour to submit myself for the position of your Member.

If I am elected, I shall consider it to be my first and paramount duty to support the Government in the vigorous prosecution of the war, until our gallant forces have gained a glorious victory and laid the foundations of a secure and lasting peace.

As a firm supporter of Unionist principles, I shall always endeavour to work in close association with the members of the Ulster Unionist Party in defending and promoting the vital interests of Ulster.

As a native of the county, and having, with my family, a life-long association with Armagh, I am thoroughly conversant with the special interests of the Division; and, if you favour me with your confidence, you may rely upon my best services being always at the disposal of the constituency, both in and out of Parliament.

I have the honour to remain,
Your obedient servant,
JAMES R. LONSDALE.
The Pavilion, Armagh.
January, 1918.

LEGAL NOTICES.

ALEXANDER WHITE, Deceased.
All persons having claims against the Estate of above-named Deceased, late of Shirley Arms, Carrickmacross, are requested to send particulars of same (in writing) to the undersigned Solicitor for the Executrix.
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ANDREW A. WELLS, Solicitor for Executrix, Carrickmacross.

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To-morrow ,, ...	7.33	,, ...	8.12

SUNRISE AND SUNSET.

To-day....Rises ...	8.27	Sets	4.46
To-morrow ,, ...	8.26	,, ...	4.48

LIGHTING-UP TIME .... 5.46 P.M.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR TO-DAY.

Theatre Royal—"Gay Paree," 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Gaiety Theatre—"Cinderella," 7.30 p.m.
Queen's Theatre—"Little Jack Horner," 6.45 and 9.
Empire Theatre—"Little Boy Blue," 6.40 and 9 p.m.
Tivoli Theatre—7 and 9 p.m.
Bohemian Picture Theatre—3 to 10.30 p.m.
Princess Cinema, Rathmines—3 to 11 p.m.
Carlton Cinema—2 to 10.30 p.m.
Pillar Picture House—Continuous.
Sackville Picture House—Continuous.
Grafton Picture House—Continuous.
Rotunda—Pictures and Varieties.
Kingstown Pavilion—Pictures, 3.30 to 10.30.
Kingstown Picture House—3 to 10.20 p.m.
Royal Dublin Society's Musical Recital, 4 p.m.
Exhibitions of Painting & Drawings by Gerald Leslie Brockhurst—8 Merrion Row, 10.30 to 1 and 2 to 5.
Henry Street and Cole's Lane Widening Scheme—Arbitration, 11 a.m.
Recorder's Sessions—Green Street Courthouse, 11 a.m.
National Literary Society—63 Merrion Square, 8.15.

The Irish Times.

MONDAY, JANUARY 21, 1918.

The Issues of War.

The Russian Constituent Assembly was born on Friday and died on Saturday. Its history furnishes further proof of the truth of General Hoffman's taunt that the Bolsheviks have no use for "self-determination" in their own country. The Constituent Assembly would have been allowed to survive if it had been content to register the decrees of Messrs. Lenin and Trotzky. Every precaution was taken that it should be subservient from the very start. Maximalist troops held the streets and killed citizens at random. The Assembly was compelled to sit in the sinister company of armed sailors and the ruffians of the Red Guard. From the moment when it became evident that the elected delegates included a majority of anti-Bolsheviks the Assembly's doom was sealed. The Central Executive Committee of Soviets forced the issue immediately by producing for adoption by the delegates a "Declaration of Workmen's Rights." It declared that, since the Constituent Assembly was elected on a register which existed before the October Revolution, it had no authority to oppose the power of the Soviets. The Assembly refused to commit suicide in this abrupt fashion, whereupon the Maximalists walked out, and soon afterwards the Assembly was "dissolved by sailors." The only vote which was taken on Saturday showed that the more moderate Socialists had an almost two-to-one majority in the Assembly over the Maximalists and Social Revolutionaries of the Left. The Bolsheviks hold their authority by violence only, but, unfortunately, they seem for the moment to be in little danger of dethronement. If any organised and effective opposition to their tyranny had existed in Russia, the meeting of the Constituent Assembly should have brought it to the test. The Bolsheviks, however, have committed their latest and greatest outrage on national freedom with apparent impunity. Educated Russia is helpless, and the country's ignorant millions are utterly indifferent to the state of affairs in Petrograd.

We do not think that the German Government will be gratified by the dissolution of the Constituent Assembly, and we may believe that Austria-Hungary, where popular discontent is coming rapidly to a head, will be alarmed and disappointed by it. The latest development in Russia is likely to bring matters at Brest-Litovsk to an early decision, and to recall attention in the Allied countries from the political to the military issues of the war. The motive of the German game at Brest-Litovsk was probably two-fold. In the first place, the German Government may have been really anxious to use the Bolsheviks as catspaws for negotiations for a general peace with the Allies. In the next place, it was certainly anxious to conclude peace with Russia, and, in the process, to propitiate the more independent elements of the German democracy. The former object, if it existed, has now failed definitely. The Western Allies will refuse to have any dealings with the murderers of the free Parliament of Russia: by their own act the Bolsheviks have put themselves out of court as ambassadors of a general peace. During the last few days Germany has begun to drop the mask of civility at Brest-Litovsk. General Hoffmann's reminder to M. Trotzky that Germany is now an armed conqueror on Russian soil was as brutal as it was true. She will probably proceed to dictate her terms without further delay. Obviously she does not want to renew fighting with Russia. She needs all her troops on the western front, and is, perhaps, a little afraid of the Napoleonic precedent of 1812. If Germany now tells Messrs. Trotzky and Lenin that they must make peace immediately on her own terms, what will be their answer? They see that already the Ukraine is negotiating for peace on its own account. They know that the precarious fidelity of their followers is based wholly on the hope of an early peace. They know that, if they refuse to make peace, Germany, though she may not renew war, will be able to increase the agonies of Russia's starving people. We think that, unless they are anticipated by a counter-revolution—of which no sign is visible—the Bolsheviks will soon make peace with Germany on Germany's terms.

If Germany makes a separate peace with Russia, she may be able to augment her own food supplies, and she will be able to concentrate the full weight of her armies on the western front. Furthermore, it is now clear that militarism has triumphed at Berlin—a militarism which is still strong and highly efficient, and knows, too, that not merely its *prestige*, but its very existence, depends on the success of its arms within a strictly limited period of time. These, we submit, are the vital facts—the only facts which the Western Allies can afford to consider during the coming months. It is quite true that symptoms of unrest are increasing in the Central Empires; that Austria-Hungary is heartily tired of the war; that her peace-aims, as defined by Count Czernin, have ceased to be reconcilable with those of Berlin; that even in Germany hunger and disappointment are putting a severe strain on the national *moral*. These things are true, but for the Western Allies they are only a part, and the least important part, of the truth. There has been a dangerous tendency in these countries of late to think of peace in terms of politics rather than in terms of guns and bayonets. That blessed word "self-determination" has lulled some of us into forgetfulness of the fact that, whatever democracy may do in Germany, Austria, and Russia, the fate of human liberty is about to be decided by vast armies in France and Flanders. It is because many people, in canvassing the admirable statements of Mr. Lloyd George and President Wilson, have lost sight of this essential fact, that the Government's call for more men for the Army is now being resisted by some of the trade unions in England. We believe that the engineers and others are holding back partly, indeed, through selfishness, but largely because all the recent talk of "political arrangement" has clouded their vision of the urgent need. That need can be put in a sentence: the Germans are about to strike their last blow with desperate energy, and, if the Allies fail to meet it, they will lose the war. Every new soldier in our Army to-day is worth a thousand speeches or leading articles on the virtues of a League of Nations. The League of Nations will come if we win the war—but not otherwise. It is utter folly to suggest that the political aspect of the war has begun to overshadow its military aspect. Political developments may help us, but there is only one sure way of safety—the final destruction of Prussian militarism by the Allied Armies in the field.

A New Food Order.

The new Fish Order comes into force on Wednesday next, and will apply to Ireland. Some of the prices are in excess of those which housewives have been paying—in Dublin, at all events. Of course, in some places in Great Britain prices have reached a scandalous height. For instance, on Saturday in a thriving Cheshire town fresh herrings were 9d. each; and cod was 2s. 6d. per lb. at Kingston-on-Thames. Last week one trawler, with seventy-five boxes of fish, made over £600 for a week's fishing. A few days previously another trawler returned after a three weeks' trip with a cargo which fetched £6,100. Recent blizzards and tempests have been contributory factors to the famine prices, but these islands are not scourged normally by such extreme weather. We note that "Food Committees are given powers to vary the prices in their areas, but may not increase the *maximum* without the sanction of the Food Controller." We hope that the Irish Food Control Committee will take full advantage of this provision. The fishmonger knows the details to-day—how much he can charge without infringing the regulations. Wholesalers will know what the retailers can get, and prices may be regulated accordingly. If Lord Rhondda's schedule of prices be correct for Great Britain, some alteration must be made so that more trawlers can be available for this most important food requirement. Why should halibut be 3s. 3d. a lb. for cuts when the pre-war price was 8d., and haddock 1s. 10d. when it was formerly 5d.? Lemon sole could be had for 5d. to 8d., and now the list fixes 2s. a lb. Kippered herrings, once 1d. each, are now 1s. the lb. In some instances the prices fixed are in excess of what we paid here a month ago before the meat shortage and evil weather began. It is manifest that the food in our home waters is not being brought ashore in sufficient quantities. Individual enterprise can do much, while increased cold storage can assist. Other uses have been found for steam trawlers, we are well aware, but fish is as necessary as many commodities from abroad. Has the Ministry of Shipping been consulted by the Food Controller in the endeavour to release a certain type of boats for the purpose? We would put one further query—where are the vast supplies of fresh-water fish which, as we were told, would be forthcoming from rivers and lakes? The situation with regard to the national fish supply is wholly unsatisfactory.

Railway Accidents.

The lamentable loss of life through the railway accident near Carlisle on Saturday strikes home to us even amid the tragedies of war. Fortunately, we are able to believe that nobody was to blame. There was no carelessness, no mechanical defect, no mistaken signal. The accident seems to have been due to pure misadventure—a landslide caused by the recent weather. The scene was a wild district about fifteen miles south of Carlisle where the Midland line runs through tunnels and cuttings. It was in one of the latter that tons of earth were dislodged by the combined influences of severe frost and thaw, and blocked both lines. The driver of the express on approaching the cutting saw those great mounds of earth in front of him. His presence of mind in applying the brakes broke the impact; otherwise the wreck must have been still more damaging. The train was derailed, and part of it was diverted into tunnelling in the bank. Nearly all the killed and injured were travelling in the first two coaches. It is a feature of the times in which we live that the women behaved wonderfully; there was no fainting or hysteria; the grief and suffering were borne with war-time fortitude. Military officers did wonders in rescue work, and nurses took charge of urgent cases. It might have been feared that, with depleted staffs and additional demands on them, the efficiency of our railways could not have been fully maintained during the war, but, on the whole, they have stood the test with gratifying success.

SOUTH ARMAGH ELECTION.

THE CAMPAIGN OPENED.

The South Armagh election campaign bids fair to be exciting and hard fought. It was formally opened yesterday, when both the Redmondites and *Sinn Feiners* held meetings all over the constituency. Rain fell throughout the day. Overnight the local executive of *Sinn Fein* held a convention at Whitecross, and Dr. McCartan (who is at present under detention in America) was unanimously adopted as their candidate. The *Sinn Fein* organisation invaded the constituency from Dundalk, Armagh, and Newry. The Nationalist candidate (Mr. Patrick Donnelly, solicitor), being a local man, has his headquarters centred in Newry, where he has the assistance of several United Irish League organisers. An unpleasant and disconcerting experience awaited the *Sinn Fein* speakers on their arrival in Newry on Saturday night, when they found to their mortification that the opposition had all the motor-cars in the town engaged for their meetings. Consequently on Sunday morning the speakers at the first *Sinn Fein* meeting had to make the journey to Cloghogue with a pony and trap. A motor-car from Armagh subsequently saved the situation.

RIVAL MEETINGS.

Mr. John Boyle presided at the *Sinn Feiners'* meeting at Cloghogue. It was held after 11.30 Mass. As the congregation—which was a small one—left the church it was nearly smothered in *Sinn Fein* literature. Many, however, declined the invitation to stop and hear the *Sinn Fein* policy expounded. Altogether not more than 100 people were present, of whom the majority were youngsters. Dr. Dillon, who was introduced as the brother-in-law of Joe Plunkett, said that he was there to ask them to support the *Sinn Fein* candidate in this election.

A Voice—Who is he?

Dr. Dillon said that he was a man who was known all over the world for what he had done for Ireland. He was known as the first ambadassor of the Irish Republic, Dr. McCartan. (Applause.) John Redmond and the Irish Party had abandoned the true claims of Ireland.

Mr. Philip McMahon, Dublin, also spoke.

At Newtownhamilton both sides held meetings simultaneously, and everything passed off quietly, though at times considerable apprehension prevailed on the part of the authorities lest a conflict should arise. The *Sinn Fein* meeting was addressed by Dr. McKee, Banbridge, Dr. McNabb, Alderman Cole, and Sean McIlroy.

Mr. J. P. O'Kane, J.P., Ballycastle, who was the principal speaker at Mr. Donnelly's meeting, asked the electors to stand by the Irish Party, who had a record of 35 years' solid work. Their opponents promised them a republic, but they did not tell them how it was to be accomplished.

The meeting concluded with cheers for the party.

Mr. J. D. Nugent, General Secretary Ancient Order of Hibernians, addressed the Nationalist meeting at Tullyvallen.

Mr. J. P. O'Kane regretted to say he was informed that a Roman Catholic curate had taken down their poster at the church gate and had put it in his pocket. He hoped that it would be explained, as he thought that the clergy were to remain out of the contest.

At Mullabawn, where the rival meetings synchronised, the authorities had an anxious time, having to draw a cordon across the road to prevent a collision between the rival gatherings. The *Sinn Fein* meeting was addressed by Mr. Ginnell and Mr. Peter Hughes, Dundalk, and Mr. Donnelly's speakers included Mr. E. M. Hore, barrister-at-law, and Mr. J. A. Tully, Monaghan.

NATIONALIST CANDIDATE'S RECEPTION.

At Crossmaglen Mr. Donnelly, who was supported by a big array of speakers, had a very cordial reception.

Mr. M. C. Maguire said that De Valera's Mansion House speech was a confession that *Sinn Feinism* was dead in America. His attack on President Wilson was the gospel of despair. *Sinn Fein* was dead in America, and South Armagh would ring the death-knell of it in Ireland. (Applause.) Armagh neither wanted rebellion nor republic, but to live in peace with their Protestant and Unionist fellow-countrymen, and have all classes and creeds working for the betterment of their common country. (Cheers.)

Mr. Donnelly, who had a capital reception, said he was confident that South Armagh would be true to its old allegiance to the Irish Party, and would show by the result of that contest that *Sinn Feinism* would not be tolerated in the constituency.

DEATH OF MRS. HENRY GUEST.

The Hon. Mrs. Henry Guest, wife of Colonel Henry Guest, M.P., was found dead in her bedroom, at her residence, Lake House, Poole, yesterday.

NATIONAL EDUCATION IN IRELAND.

The Commissioners of National Education have promoted Mr. J. C. Rogers, B.A., District Inspector of National Schools, to the position of Senior Inspector, in succession to Mr. A. J. McElwaine, retired.

COUNTY HIGH SHERIFFS.

Mr. George Richard Cooke, of Fortwilliam, Borrisoleigh, completed on Saturday the necessary declaration on his appointment as High Sheriff for the County Tipperary. He has appointed Mr. Henry Shannon his Under-Sheriff, and Mr. W. J. Shannon (Messrs. W. J. Shannon and Co., solicitors, 19 Upper Ormond quay) his Returning Officer.

Mr. Hugh T. Barrie, D.L., M.P., Manor House, Coleraine, Co. Derry, was sworn in as High Sheriff of the County of Londonderry, and Mr. Alwyn S. Craig, solicitor, Shipquay street, Londonderry, was re-sworn as Under-Sheriff for the county before Mr. E. J. Hay, Commissioner for Oaths, Coleraine, on the 19th inst. Mr. A. W. Glover, solicitor, 15 Wicklow street, Dublin, has been re-appointed the Sheriff's Returning Officer.

On the 19th inst., at Kells, before Mr. J. J. Lynch, solicitor, Commissioner for Oaths, Major Thomas G. C. Gerrard, of Gibbstown, Navan, was sworn in as High Sheriff of the County Meath, and Mr. George H. Lowry, of Kells, was re-sworn as Under-Sheriff. Mr. William H. Spence, solicitor, 11 Westmoreland street, has been appointed Returning Officer.

On Friday, before Mr. C. O. Keane, Commissioner for Oaths, Mr. Robert Gould Erskine Ellis, J.P., of Seaview, Miltown Malbay, was sworn in as High Sheriff for the County Clare; and Major F. G. Cullinan, Feighmore, Quin, was re-sworn as Under-Sheriff. The High Sheriff has appointed Mr. John Cullinan, solicitor, of Ennis, and 8 Nassau street, Dublin, as his Returning Officer.

CLONMEL RED CROSS DANCE.

In connection with the Clonmel Red Cross dance it should be stated that the organising secretaries were Mr. Morton Jackson, Powerstown, and Mr. Frank Mulcahy, of Ardfinnan Mills, who deserve every credit for making the dance such a successful function.

Queen Alexandra received at Marlborough House yesterday Miss Flora Sandes, who went to Serbia with a hospital unit early in the war, and afterwards served with the Serbian Army itself, reaching the rank of sergeant-major and being decorated by the Crown Prince.

Mr. Cooper Mitchell, the well-known entertainer, died yesterday morning at his residence in London. Deceased, who was 37, had been ill since the early part of December.

LONDON CORRESPONDENCE.

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
SUNDAY NIGHT.

There is rather more news to-night than usual. It is true that G.H.Q. maintains its now almost stereotyped phrase, that "there is nothing of special interest to report." People are getting a little irritated by its recurrence, especially as they know from the stories of the men on leave what a colourless expression, like "the night passed quietly," really means in terms of effort and suffering to the boys in the trenches. Even if there be nothing special to report, why cannot G.H.Q. turn on the war correspondents to write up some of the minor incidents of the combat that never ends?

Apart from other considerations, such publicity given to the work of the men abroad would stimulate the men and women at home to make the further sacrifices demanded of them. The Military Service Bill goes into Committee to-morrow, and, though it is a very short measure, it will not pass without some further sharp criticism. The way in which Mr. Smallwood's attack on the soullessness of the War Office was received the other night was symptomatic of a general feeling that our existing soldiers are not being as well handled as they ought to be.

Another factor in the case is the hushing up of the Cambrai reverse. I see that Major David Davies is going to make another effort to get at the truth. He will invite the Prime Minister to-morrow to state the nature of the inquiry, the composition of the court, and whether the findings were reported direct to the War Cabinet, or were revised by the Secretary of State for War or the War Council. He will also ask Mr. Macpherson to state the number of officers above the rank of Brigadier-General who have been permanently retired in connection with the military operations at Cambrai.

The dissolution of the Russian Constituent Assembly was not unexpected, for it has been obvious ever since its election that the Bolshevik members of Petrograd had no intention of tolerating its existence, unless it was prepared to give them a free hand. But what a comment upon all their professions of zeal for democracy and self-determination is this latest incident! Pride's Purge was nothing to it, for in that case it might, at least, be argued that the expelled members had ceased to represent the people who elected them. Lenin has no such excuse. As a despot he has out-Cromwelled Cromwell, and, without a shadow of constitutional right, violently removed from his party persons who happened not to agree with his peculiar whim.

It will be interesting to see what effect, if any, this action of the Bolsheviks will have upon public opinion in Germany. It ought to please the Pan-Germans of the Reventlow type, who would like to treat the Reichstag in the same way, but it will hardly increase the confidence of the Socialists or strengthen the prospects of a peace settlement. How can any firm agreement be reached with men who by their own action have shown that they do not represent the Russian people, as a whole, but are mere usurpers?

A failure to come to terms at Brest-Litovsk may not trouble the German Government much, but it will cause deep disappointment in Austria, who has been counting on getting rid of one of her enemies, and so being able to devote her whole strength to her Italian task, which is daily growing more difficult. Count Czernin's declaration that he wants nothing from Russia but neighbourly relations is probably a genuine reflection of the mind of his master, the Emperor Karl. As for the common people, all they want is peace and food, and relief from the burdens thrust upon them by their German taskmasters. There is no reason to doubt the truth of the statement that the recent riots in Vienna and elsewhere have had a strongly anti-German tendency.

Glasgow is to be congratulated upon having broken the Tank Bonds record by a handsome margin. Most of the large subscriptions would, no doubt, have gone into National Bonds anyhow, but there is no doubt that the Tanks have stimulated the interest of the smaller investors in a very satisfactory way, with the result that for some weeks the sales of Bonds have been almost up to the highest expectations of the Chancellor. The question remains whether the enthusiasm will be kept up, or whether it will not be necessary to give the small investor some further inducement to divert his surplus earnings from extravagant consumption into provident savings.

I see that the Treasury and the Ministry of Reconstruction have set up a joint committee consisting of leading experts to consider the questions of post-war finance, including currency and foreign exchanges. Among other things they will have to consider whether Treasury notes shall be retained, or whether we are to return to what the Americans call "hard money." It might be wise for the Committee to consider whether, even now, there ought not to be a retrenchment of the quantity of Treasury notes allowed to be in circulation. Many experts are of opinion that the issue has been unduly large, and is one of the factors which have caused the great rise in prices.

It is understood that the Speaker's decision in regard to Irish Redistribution has now been sent in to the Prime Minister. Its publication in the form of a White Paper may, therefore, be looked for in the course of the next few days. It is believed that the disagreements between the Unionist and Nationalist members of the Committee related to questions affecting Tyrone and Fermanagh, and Belfast and Antrim, and that in regard to the large towns, at any rate, particularly as to Belfast, the Nationalists offered to accept the principle of proportional representation. It is believed, however, that the Unionists could not see their way to accept. It will be interesting if events prove that the Speaker has been called on to decide as to proportional representation. Whatever it is, the British members of the House of Commons are likely to accept the Speaker's decision with practical unanimity. But the Nationalists, who probably have an inkling of what the decision will be, are already talking of a protest if it is not in their favour.

Following the resignation of Sir Glen West from the Ministry of Munitions, a rumour was current in political circles to-night that Major Downie will cease to hold the Directorship of Munitions in Ireland.

Mr. Field will ask the Minister of Munitions on Tuesday whether it is proposed to use the resources of contractors who have suitable factories and staffs for the construction of aeroplane parts and other war material in Dublin and the rest of Ireland.

THE D.S.O.

Among the officers who have received the D.S.O. in the list of New Year's Honours is Major R. O'Donoghue, A.S.C., son of Mr. Cooper O'Donoghue, Oreland, Limerick. He has been serving in France since 1914.

THE MILITARY CROSS.

Captain J. L. Chalmers, Royal Irish Fusiliers, has been awarded the Military Cross for gallantry in the field. Captain Chalmers joined the 10th (Irish) Division at the outbreak of the war, and saw service with that Division in Gallipoli. He was wounded at Suvla Bay after the capture of Chocolate Hill. For the last two years Captain Chalmers has been attached to a battalion in France, where he was wounded at the battle of the Somme. His elder brother, Second Lieutenant W. Hamish Chalmers, of the Indian Army, was killed in action in Persia. Captain Chalmers is a brother of Mrs. James Gray Kyd, of 14 Temple Villas, Palmerston road, Dublin.

Major William M'Cauley, R.F.A., who is in his 24th year, has been awarded a bar to the Military Cross. He is a son of Mr. William M'Cauley, Superintendent Clerk, Record Office, Woolwich, and formerly of Derry, and is a nephew of Miss E. F. Heaney, N.T., Waterside, Derry.

Colonel C. A. Court Repington, C.M.G., has (says the Press Association) resigned his position as Military Correspondent of *The Times*.

THE "IRISH TIMES" RED CROSS FUND.

LETTER FROM DR. LUMSDEN.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I hear that the *Irish Times* Red Cross Fund has now passed £50,000—the sum originally asked for—and I feel I must send you my hearty congratulations on your splendid accomplishment. I know that the Joint Societies very thoroughly appreciate the service you have rendered to the Red Cross cause, and the very substantial sum that your appeal has been the means of securing.

Having now had the opportunity of seeing the work of the Red Cross in France from the firing line down to the base, I am more than ever satisfied of the excellence of the work being done, and I cannot express in adequate terms my admiration of the resource, the thoroughness, the business-like methods, and helpfulness generally, and, in addition, that human touch which oftentimes is such an important factor in relieving the sufferings and saving the lives of our gallant fellow-countrymen.

Your subscribers may rest assured that their money will be wisely and economically spent, and that their offering to the Red Cross will be the means, in addition to supplying the material needs, of carrying many a message of comfort to our wounded.

Without your powerful aid and co-operation, this substantial and magnificent sum certainly could not have been obtained in Ireland, and I think you are to be congratulated for bringing out in such a remarkable and practical fashion the kindly and sympathetic interest in the Red Cross cause which exists in the hearts of the Irish people.

The success which has attended the appeals to commerce, the professions, and sport has been of a striking character, and the handsome contribution must, I think, be regarded as a practical message to our fighting forces that the sympathy of the country is with them, and that it is an expression of civilian effort and determination to win the war.

To Sir John Arnott, our Trustee, to Lady Arnott, and her Committee, to our County Directors, and the Dublin Chamber of Commerce we must feel deeply indebted for their splendid help.—Yours, etc.,

J. LUMSDEN,
Director-in-Chief and Vice-Chairman, Joint V.A.D. Committee for Ireland (Excluding Ulster).

B.E.F., France, January 18th, 1918.

FOOD SUPPLIES.

FIXED PRICES FOR FISH.

The Ministry of Food has issued an Order, which applies to Ireland, fixing the maximum retail prices of fish. It stipulates that no person shall, after the 23rd inst., directly or indirectly sell or offer or expose for sale or offer to buy any fish at prices exceeding the maximum prices provided by the Order. A Food Committee may from time to time by resolution vary, for fish sold by retail within their area, the maximum prices, but such resolution must be reported to the Food Controller within seven days, and any resolution increasing the maximum price cannot come into operation until sanctioned by the Food Controller.

Where a maximum price is for the time being prescribed for a cut such price shall apply only to the sale of a portion of the fish not exceeding half of the whole fish, and not including any part of the head. Where a maximum price is for the time being prescribed for a headed fish, such price shall apply only to the sale of a headed and gutted fish. The maximum price for the time being prescribed for a whole fish shall apply to all sales of the fish, headed or not, gutted or ungutted, or any part of the fish except sales to which a maximum price for a cut or for a headed fish applies. In calculating the price on the sale of a fish, or a portion of a fish, any broken halfpenny shall count as a halfpenny. A person may sell fish at a price per fish or per piece so long as the maximum price therefor is not exceeded and provided he weighs the fish or piece if so required by the buyer. No additional charge may be made for bags or other packages or for giving credit or making delivery.

As regards contract prices, it is provided that where the Food Controller is of opinion that the price payable under any contract for the sale of fish subsisting at the date of the Order or any notice under the Order is such that it cannot at the price for the time being permitted be sold by retail at a reasonable profit, the Food Controller may if he thinks fit cancel such contract or modify its terms. The Order also requires every retailer to post conspicuously in his shop a notice plainly showing the maximum prices.

The following is a list of the maximum prices per lb., the first figure referring to whole fish and the second to cuts. In cases where the dash (—) occurs no price has been fixed:—

Fresh Fish.—Bream (fresh and salt water), 1/- (—); brill, 2/6, 3/3; carp, 1/4, 1/10; catfish (skinned and headed), 1/3, 1/6; coal or saithe, 1/-, 1/6; cod, 1/3, 1/10; char, 1/4 (—); chub, 1/3 (—); dabs, 1/3 (—); dace, 10d. (—); dogfish (skinned or filleted), 1/- (—); John Dory, 1/3 (—); eels (fresh-water), 2/- (—); eels (conger), 1/-, 1/4; flounders, 1/3 (—); grayling, 1/4 (—); gurnards, 1/- (—); haddock, 1/3, 1/10; hake, 1/3, 1/9; halibut, 2/6, 3/3; herrings (fresh), 8d. (—); ling, 1/2, 1/8; mackerel, 8d. (—); megrim, 1/6 (—); monk or angler (headed and skinned), 1/-, 1/2; mullet (red), 3/- (—); mullet (grey), 1/6 (—); perch, 1/- (—); pike or Jack, 1/4, 1/10; pilchards, 8d. (—); plaice, 1/10 (—); pollack or lythe, 1/-, 1/6; roach, 9d. (—); roker (wings), 1/4, 1/6; salmon (including grilse after 2nd February), 3/-, 4/-; skate (wings), 1/4, 1/6; soles and slips, 3/6 (—); soles (lemon), 2/- (—); sprats, 6d. (—); tench, 1/4 (—); trout (fresh and saltwater, after 2nd February), 3/-, 4/-; turbot, 2/6, 3/3; whiting, 1/3 (—); witches, 2/- (—); all other fish not already specified, 8d. (—).

Smoked and Cured Fish.—Smoked cod, 2/- (—); smoked haddock, 2/- (—); kippered herrings, 1/- (—); bloatered herrings, 10d. (—); herrings, filleted (smoked or pickled), 1/- (—); pickled, cured, or spiced herrings, 6d. (—); red herrings and smoked herrings, other than those already mentioned, 8d. (—); smoked mackerel, 8d. (—); mackerel, filleted (smoked and pickled), 1/- (—); pickled, cured, or spiced mackerel, 6d. (—); smoked pilchards, 8d. (—); pickled, cured, or spiced pilchards, 6d. (—); smoked sprats, 8d. (—); pickled, cured, or spiced sprats, 6d. (—); dry salted fish other than those specified above, 1/3, 1/6; wet salted fish of all descriptions, 10d., 1/-; smoked fish fillets of all kinds other than those specified above, 1/10 (—); all smoked fish not specified above or in Schedule II., 1/6 (—).

Frozen Fish.—Halibut (headed and trimmed), 1/8, 2/-; salmon, including grilse, 2/3, 2/9; salmon, including grilse (headed), 2/4, 2/9; trout, 2/2, 2/9; trout (headed), 2/4, 2/9.

SEIZURES OF BUTTER.

There was an appreciable increase in the margarine supplies available in Dublin on Saturday, but the butter supply, despite the embargo on export, showed no noticeable improvement.

A large consignment of butter from the West of Ireland which was seized by the police was sent to Dublin by direction of the Food Controller, and removed from a railway depôt at the North Wall on Saturday morning to the premises of a wholesale firm. This action was taken owing to allegations that it was being withheld for shipment.

The examination of parcels seized in course of post and suspected of containing butter was continued on Saturday by representatives of the Food Control Committee at the stores of Messrs. Carton Bros., Dublin. Of 300 parcels examined, 173 contained butter. A further batch of parcels has been seized and is awaiting inspection.

The continued shortage of butter is alleged to be due to some creameries retaining their supplies for the purpose of cheese-making with a view to export.

Seizures in Belfast.—The Belfast Post Office officials have during the past few days intercepted many small butter consignments posted by private individuals to friends and relatives in Great Britain, and have handed them over to the local receiving agent appointed by the Food Control Committee of Ireland, who is Mr. D. Armstrong, Superintendent of Markets, Belfast. On Saturday Mr. Armstrong dealt with forty-one "suspected" parcels, and, although in many cases the butter was skilfully disguised, it did not escape detection. The butter confiscated is disposed of by the agent for local distribution. A rigid system of inspection has also been established at the port of Belfast.

A parcel marked "Glass, with care," and consigned to a cross-Channel destination, on being opened in Londonderry Post Office, was found to be a bottle containing butter. It was seized.

The Londonderry Workhouse Master on Saturday reported to the Guardians that the institution, in which butter is excluded from all rations, had been without margarine for the past couple of weeks. He would "carry on" with dry bread until he got a supply.

Only a few bags of potatoes were brought into the Athlone market on Saturday. Some farmers, it is alleged, are holding back supplies for a rise on the present price of 5s. 6d. a cwt.

Clonmel Town Tenants' League have addressed an appeal to the Mayor to call a public meeting to raise funds for the distressed poor of the town. A dance held in the courthouse by the organisers of the Red Cross ball, to provide money to relieve the poor of the town, was very successful. The St. Vincent de Paul Society is doing good work to relieve necessitous cases.

NATIONAL FOOD ECONOMY LEAGUE.

The Committee of the National Food Economy League has decided to dissolve next March owing to its having failed to obtain any recognition or encouragement from the Ministry of Food. The League, which sought no financial support from the Government, has been in existence nearly three years, during which over three-quarters of a million of its publications have been sold, and between two and three thousand demonstrations given in London and the provinces.

FROM "THE TIMES" OF TO-DAY.

(BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH THE PROPRIETORS OF *THE TIMES*.)

THE IRISH CONVENTION.

The latest reports from Ireland, says *The Times*, are a trifle more optimistic, but no substantial grounds for optimism are apparent. Presumably some temporary diversion of the Convention to relatively unimportant business has, for the moment, eased the strain which was felt during the early part of last week. But the main problem remains, and must be faced within the next few days—it is to be hoped, with the aid of stronger forces than the Convention itself can muster. It is no disparagement of the work of the Convention, which unquestionably represents the right line of approach to the Irish question, that it suffered, from the start, from a certain weakness of individual statesmanship. Its members are, all of them, Irishmen, and if it stops short of a settlement, the result will be demonstrably due to Irish disunion, and not to English interference. Englishmen are entitled, nevertheless, to insist, at this crisis in the war, that all the best leadership in Ireland should be brought to bear upon the problem, at whatever point the Convention leaves it, in a final effort at settlement. The consequences all over the world are too far-reaching to admit of failure.

INVERTED AUTOCRACY.

Russia, long ruled by autocratic Tsars, says *The Times*, who governed on occasion by means of arbitrary violence, is now in the grip of an ultra-revolutionary oligarchy, to whose members violence would seem to be as much an end as a means. The Constituent Assembly which, despite vices of constitution, was in theory the supreme authority for the settlement of the future form of the State, has been forcibly dissolved by Bolshevist sailors. Processions organised to celebrate the auspicious day of its assembling were received by the Bolshevist "Red Guards" with rifle and machine gun fire. In 1905, when the Imperial troops sabred the people assembled before the Winter Palace, a cry of horrified protest was raised in all democratic countries. To-day, when this example is emulated by the "Commissioners of the People," will their action be approved and condoned by their sympathisers abroad? In revolutionary theory their conduct is, doubtless, explicable. The Bolshevists, whose avowed and conscious aim is to turn the world upside down, to overthrow all Governments and non-Bolshevist social orders, abhor even so mild a rival to their self-arrogated authority as a Constituent Assembly of revolutionaries in which they have no majority. Consequently, they fire upon its supporters, and employ armed sailors to sweep it away. The end of the struggle is not yet, but its course contains an object lesson for all orderly democracies of the perils to which freedom may be exposed when once its custodians forsake the path of law.

STRIKES IN VIENNA.

The Hague Correspondent of *The Times* telegraphs:—Telegrams and newspapers from Germany and Austria, which are arriving here after long delay owing to snowstorms, show that the economic and political crisis in Austria-Hungary is growing steadily more acute. Both telegrams and papers have been heavily censored, but it is possible to read through the censored passages. Local reductions of the flour ration resulted at the beginning of the week in the outbreak of strikes, especially in Wiener Neustadt, south of Vienna, where on Monday the whole staff of the Daimler motor works went on strike, and were followed by big locomotive, radiator, and aeroplane factories, and all the workers in Rath's munition factory. On Tuesday the strike was still spreading, and there had been some rioting. On Wednesday morning the Vienna *Arbeiter Zeitung* published a flaming appeal of the German Labour Party in Austria and the Socialist Deputies' Club to the workmen and women of Austria to refuse to allow the war to continue, "simply for the purpose of extending the power of Germany and Austria-Hungary over foreign lands." An independent and extremely well-informed observer, who reached Holland from Vienna *via* Germany this week, informed me that the food situation in Vienna is extremely grave, and accompanied by widespread political disturbances. He added: "The key of the situation is at Brest-Litovsk, for, if the negotiations there break down, something serious will certainly happen, though precisely what shape events will take I will not prophesy. But the food difficulties are the main feature. I feel convinced that Count Czernin must, and will, do anything to prevent the negotiations from being broken off in view the situation at home."

THE LABOUR PARTY CONFERENCE.

The Labour Party, says *The Times*, holds its seventeenth annual conference at Nottingham this week, and the fact that it has never in the previous sixteen years had so many subjects of general interest and public importance to discuss testifies to the enlarged share of influence and activity that has been thrust upon the party by the war. This year several motions have again been put down on the agenda directly challenging the policy and demanding the withdrawal of Labour members from the Government. These motions emanate from local bodies, and the source of their inspiration is well known. The ostensible reason for withdrawing from the Government is the furtherance of sectional interests in preference to national interests. It is not very lofty ground to take, but the real ground is still lower. It is that desire to hamper the Government in the prosecution of the war which has been consistently displayed in the same quarters, and is highly appreciated in Berlin. What will happen this week nobody knows. The proceedings at the conference have a way of departing suddenly and widely from the agenda, and these motions may not be taken at all. The subject may be disposed of in the report of the Executive Committee, or otherwise. But, however this may be, no one expects the conference to stultify itself by reversing its previous repeated vote.

THE FUTURE OF EMBASSIES.

A Correspondent writes to *The Times* to-day, under the signature "Odiom":—The newspapers speak of Embassies likely to be vacant. Does not this offer a favourable opportunity for doing away with them altogether, in agreement, of course, with those countries with which we now exchange Embassies? An Ambassador is a pompous and expensive form of envoy. His one exceptional privilege, so far as I know, is the right to demand a personal audience of the Sovereign to whom he is accredited. What this is practically worth we see from Mr. Gerard's narrative of his vain efforts to obtain an audience of the Emperor William during this war. Moreover, the most important Sovereigns, with regard to whom this access might be of some slight advantage, are the two Emperors with whom we are fighting, and with whom we can never resume Ambassadorial relations, which imply something kindly and personal. But an envoy in these days wants to see the Foreign Secretary, not the Sovereign, and, indeed, the Minister of a great State at a critical juncture would have quite as much weight and right of access as an Ambassador. An Ambassador requires a very large salary, and yet can rarely live on it, as so much splendour is expected of him. And he is apt to be punctilious and exacting about his rights and precedence, matters which are sinking into the background. He is, indeed, the survival of a dead past. Convenience and economy both dictate the abolition of these functionaries, and the relations of the countries would not suffer.

POPE'S NEXT MOVE.

The Washington correspondent of the *Evening Post* (who is usually well informed) states that Senator Lewis has announced his intention to defer discussion of his resolution proposing an endorsement of the President's peace programme, because he has reason to know that Berlin expects to withdraw her peace proposals to the Bolsheviks, and to make new proposals, but proposals which will be applicable, not only to Russia, but to all her opponents.

Senator Lewis also had information that the Pope is planning another effort towards peace.

Meanwhile the Austrian Socialist party has passed a resolution declaring that Mr. Lloyd George's speech and President Wilson's message form a possible basis for peace negotiations.

These utterances, together with the disturbances in Vienna and other parts of Austria, increase the conviction long held in well-informed Swiss circles that Austrian military power will collapse owing to domestic troubles long before Germany's resistance is broken.

WESTERN FRONT

SUCCESSFUL RAID AT HARGICOURT.

OSTEND BOMBARDED FROM THE SEA.

With the exception of a raid by our troops against enemy trenches east of Hargicourt, which resulted in the taking of some prisoners, there was little else to report during the week-end.

On the French front there was artillery activity at various points.

The Germans report the bombardment of Ostend from the sea.

BRITISH OFFICIAL.

Saturday, 10.44 a.m.—There is nothing of interest to report on the British front.

8.40 p.m.—The enemy made several unsuccessful attempts to raid our trenches near Neuve Chappelle and south of Lens last night and early this morning. Apart from this there is nothing of interest to report.

Aviation.—On the 18th inst., although the sky was overcast all day, with rain at intervals, a certain amount of flying took place, chiefly consisting of observation for the artillery. Bombs were dropped and many rounds fired from low heights at numerous targets, including a long column, in which many casualties were seen to be caused. Three hostile machines were brought down by aeroplanes and one by our infantry, while another was driven down out of control by anti-aircraft gunfire. One of our machines is missing.

Sunday, 10.27 a.m.—The night passed quietly, and there is nothing of special interest to report.

Sunday, 9.22 p.m.—Last night an enemy raid south-east of Graincourt was repulsed. Early this morning our troops raided the enemy trenches east of Hargicourt, bringing back prisoners. Hostile artillery has been active to-day north-east of Ypres and in the vicinity of Neuve Chapelle and Lens.

Aviation.—On the 19th good visibility enabled a great many hostile batteries to be engaged successfully by our artillery with observation from the air. Over three hundred bombs were dropped during the day on miscellaneous targets, including a large ammunition dump near Courtrai, and several thousands of rounds fired at the enemy in their trenches by our low-flying aeroplanes. Five hostile machines were brought down and three driven down out of control. Four of our machines are missing.

FRENCH OFFICIAL.

Saturday Afternoon.—During the night there was a rather lively artillery action in Champagne, in the Auberives region, and on the right bank of the Meuse to the north of Bezonvaux.

Saturday Night.—There is nothing to report except artillery activity to the north of the Chemin des Dames and on the left bank of the Meuse.

Sunday Afternoon.—We easily repelled two enemy raids, the one in the region south-east of St. Quentin, the other north of Courtecon. There was an intermittent cannonade on the rest of the front.

Sunday Night.—North-west of Rheims, and on the right bank of the Meuse, the artillery duel was fairly lively. An enemy *coup de main* on our small posts in the Louvre region failed. North of St. Mihiel our patrols brought back prisoners.

Aviation.—In the course of yesterday our air forces fought a number of aerial engagements. Six German machines were destroyed, and two others fell within their own lines, seriously damaged.

GERMAN OFFICIAL.

Saturday Afternoon.—There were lively artillery duels on the salient north-east of Ypres, on the south bank of the Scarpe, and in the neighbourhood of Mœuvres. On many parts of the rest of the front, especially on both sides of the Meuse, firing activity increased in violence. North of Bezonvaux storming troops took prisoners out of the French lines.

Saturday Night.—There was lively artillery activity in the Ypres salient.

Sunday Afternoon.—Ostend has been bombarded from the sea.

Violent artillery duels continued in the salient north-east of Ypres until late in the night. On both sides of the Lys, at La Bassée Canal, as well as between Lens and St. Quentin, fighting activity increased. The English fire was directed with special intensity throughout the day on our positions south of the Scarpe. The French artillery was lively only in a few sectors. There was at times an increase in the fighting in the Meuse region, as well as north and south of the Rhine-Marne Canal.

ITALIAN FRONT.

BIG ENEMY ATTACK AT CAPO SILE.

HELD UP BY ARTILLERY.

Italian Official.—During the night of the 17th-18th January the enemy, on a wide front, again attempted an attack on our bridge-head at Capo Sile. It was arrested by the artillery, which promptly intervened, and the few hostile groups of men who succeeded in reaching our wire were destroyed by machine-gun and rifle fire.

During the day yesterday the artillery was more active on both banks of the Brenta and in the eastern sector of Montello. Our reconnoitring parties drove back small enemy posts and captured material on the Asiago Plateau.

Sunday.—There were patrol engagements in the Daone valley (Giudicarie). At Sano (south-west of Mori) one of our storming parties carried out a successful *coup de main* in the enemy line, bringing back one officer and ten other ranks, who were made prisoners. There were brief but intense artillery duels in the Mount Asolone region.

British batteries caused a big fire to break out within the enemy's lines to the south of Sernaglia. Along the Piave our artillery effectually replied to the enemy's, which were more lively between Nervesa and Maserada, and dispersed wagon transport and enemy patrols in the neighbourhood of St. Abiuzzo and Le Grave.

British Official.—General Plumer reports under Saturday's date:—The weather lately has been bad. Flying has only been possible on two days during the past week. On these days, however, we destroyed six enemy machines without any loss to ourselves. Active artillery and patrol work continues daily.

ADVANCE IN PALESTINE.

British Official.—On January 18th our line was carried forward to a maximum depth of one mile on a four-mile front in the neighbourhood of Durah, twelve miles north of Jerusalem. Some prisoners were captured. In aerial fighting, on January 17, one enemy aeroplane was shot down and two others driven down out of control. On January 18th our aeroplanes dropped 80 bombs on a railway station west of Samaria and on camps in the neighbourhood. One enemy aeroplane was shot down.

GERMANY AND ANNEXATIONS.

AGREEMENT BETWEEN SOLDIERS AND CIVILIANS.

The *Tagliche Rundschau*, says a Reuter telegram, dated January 19th, learns that a complete agreement has been reached in the conferences between the Higher Army Command and the Chancellor in respect of the regulation of all Eastern questions. These are to be regarded as a united whole, and, therefore, the Lithuanian, Courland, and Polish questions are to be considered as all connected with one another. This position, the paper remarks, gives a united Austro-German front against Russia. The situation is based on the present representative bodies in Lithuania, Courland, and Poland, whose unanimous declarations are in our hands. These declarations can be expanded, but not cancelled. There was, likewise, a full understanding that effective safeguards must be created in the West.

The Leipzig *Volkszeitung* says:—The issue of the Government crisis appears to be victory for the Kuehlmanners in form, but for the Pan-Germans in fact. Frontier rectifications are to be striven after, and, while preserving in appearance the principle of the self-determination of peoples, the Government has not entirely, but in its essential point, submitted to the Pan-German demands. The same paper cites the Leipzig *Neueste Nachrichten*, as reporting that the political leaders have given abundant assurances to to the effectthat after Russia's unsuccessful ultimatum to England and France, they feel no obligation to continue to apply the formula of no annexations and no indemnities to the West, but rather will go in the direction of giving the military an entirely free hand, and maintaining an entirely free hand for their own decisions.

MACEDONIAN FRONT.

French Official.—Saturday.—There were artillery duels in the region of Monastir and in the Cerna bend, where our fire caused a fire in a dump. British airmen carried out several raids on the Doiran railway and in the Petric-Seres region.

German Official.—In the Cerna bend our hill position north-east of Paralovo was subjected throughout the day to artillery and mine firing.

British Official.—On January 11th we raided the enemy's outpost line on the Doiran front, and inflicted casualties. Our aeroplanes have bombed Cestoro Station, north-west of Lake Doiran, and other objectives.

NAVAL FIGHT IN DARDANELLES.

THE BRESLAU SUNK.

GOEBEN DAMAGED AND BEACHED.

The Secretary of the Admiralty announces:—

The British Commander-in-Chief in the Mediterranean reports that the German battle cruiser Goeben (Turkish name, Sultan Selim), the light cruiser Breslau (Turkish name, Midilli), and destroyers were in action with British forces at the entrance to the Dardanelles on Sunday morning, January 20th.

The Breslau was sunk.

The Goeben escaped, but has been beached, evidently badly damaged, at Nagara Point, in the Narrows of the Straits.

The Goeben is now being attacked by naval aircraft.

Further details are expected, but no other information has yet come to hand.

Our losses are reported to be H.M.S. Raglan (monitor), Commander Viscount Broome, R.N., and a small monitor (M 28), Commander Donald P. MacGregor, R.N.

VISCOUNT BROOME.

Viscount Broome, Commander of the monitor Raglan, is the only son of the present Earl Kitchener, and nephew of the distinguished Field-Marshal, who was lost in the disaster to H.M.S. Hampshire. Viscount Broome is in his fortieth year.

THE GOEBEN AND BRESLAU.

On the day on which France declared war on Austria-Hungary, August 10, 1914, the Goeben and the Breslau escaped to the Dardanelles, much to the chagrin of our Admiralty. They were announced to have been sold to Turkey, long before she came into the war. They have been used for raids in the Black Sea, but were disappointing, owing to their intricate machinery being difficult to repair.

A few months back they were bombed at Constantinople by a British seaplane.

The Goeben, completed in 1912, is of 22,640 tons, and could steam 28 knots. She was reckoned of the best type of German battle-cruiser. Her turbine engines were capable of developing 52,000 h.p. Her complement of men was 1,020, and she cost, when launched in 1911, £2,200,000.

The Breslau was a smaller type, an armoured cruiser of 4,820 tons, completed in 1912.

EXCITEMENT IN AUSTRIA.

POSSIBLE CABINET CRISIS.

The Vienna correspondent of the *Vossische Zeitung* says a Reuter telegram, dated Saturday, states that great excitement has been caused among Parliamentary Deputies by rumours of an imminent Cabinet crisis, owing to the dissatisfaction of the German-Bohemian and the other German Deputies with the Government's indulgent attitude towards the Czechs and the South Slavs, and that there is a possibility that they will abstain from voting on the Budget.

RIOTS IN VIENNA.

An Exchange Paris message dated Saturday says:—

According to the *Nieue Freie Presse*, the strike movement is general throughout Lower Austria. All the war industries are shut down at Vienna. At other places local factories are closed, and also the aeroplane works at Litkntenwoerth. In several localities the tramways have stopped running.

During the manifestations which took place at Vienna over eighty stores and shops for the sale of clothes and food were pillaged. The garrison of the capital has refused to march against the rioters. The police intervened, and many were wounded on both sides.

According to a Reuter message:—The *Nieue Freie Presse* states that flour rations will be reduced one-half throughout Austria. As a protest against this measure, ten thousand workmen, the *Presse* says, struck at Pieners-Neustadt, including employés of the Daimler Automobile Factory, the Roth Munition Works, and other locomotive and aeroplane factories. Similar strikes occurred at St. Poelten and Newnkirchen, bu the Censor suppressed all reports of the disorders. Other Viennese journals do not even mention the strikes.

GENERAL STRIKE IN VIENNA.

The Vienna correspondent of the *Frankfurter Zeitung* telegraphs:—The Austrian population is intensely excited over the reduction of the flour rations. The public anger is especially directed against the supporters of the war. A general strike has begun in all factories in Vienna and in many provincial towns. A great demonstration was held in Vienna on Thursday. Crowds assembled in the main thoroughfares, and stood on the tramway lines and blocked the lines. Many strikers were arrested.

A Reuter's telegram from Amsterdam, dated Saturday, says:—The *Lokalanzeiger* reports that the strikes in Lower Austria, especially in Vienna, showed a further extension of Thursday. Everywhere the workers held meetings, it says, to protest against the curtailment of the flour ration. At four in the afternoon the workers gathered in the streets throughout Vienna. At first they behaved fairly quietly, but, as if at a given signal, they everywhere took up positions across the tram lines, and stopped the tram traffic. Hundreds of passengers waited in vain at stopping places for trams. A portion of the demonstrators marched through the inner city. The demonstration, on the whole, was quiet. There were no excesses, and not many arrests.

The *Arbeiter Zeitung* appeals to the workers in food industries, miners, railwaymen, tram servants, etc., not to strike, as this, it declares, would only increase the distress.

CHIEF OF KAISER'S CIVIL CABINET RESIGNS.

The Berlin *Mittag Zeitung*, says a Reuter telegram, dated Friday, announces that the Chief of the Kaiser's Civil Cabinet, Dr. von Valentini, has resigned, and will be replaced by the President of the Province of Prussia, Herr von Berg. The journal adds:—Dr. von Valentini's resignation has come more quickly than was expected and hoped for. We say "hoped for," because Dr. von Valentini did not always use his great influence in a manner which was of service to the common weal. The position which he occupied demands extraordinary great political insight and objectivity, and, unfortunately, Dr. von Valentini is lacking in this respect. His failure was especially remarkable with regard to Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg's resignation and the Michaelis crisis. It is not wrong to assume that his conduct during recent events has been sharply censured in very authoritative quarters. Dr. von Valentini is 65 years of age, and has been Chief of the Civil Cabinet since 1908. His successor, Herr von Berg, has long been in the Kaiser's good graces. He is a strong Conservative.

The *Frankfurter Zeitung* says:—The retirement of Dr. von Valentini, Chief of the German Emperor's Civil Cabinet, is a distinct victory for the Pan-Germans, who hated him intensely. Next to the Chancellor, the Chief of the Civil Cabinet is perhaps the most important personality in all political affairs in Germany and Prussia.

WAR ITEMS.

According to *Les Nouvelles*, of Maastricht, the Belgian province of Limburg is filled with Austrian troops, which arrived this week. The same paper states that the Germans have seized at Ostend for smelting purposes the statue of Count de Smet de Maeyer.

A Berlin official telegram from Koenigsberg, dated Friday, says:—It is officially reported that on January 18th, at 5.10 in the afternoon, the leave train No. 3,000, for Riga, collided with passenger train No. 102, for Insterburg, between Pamletten and Argeningkem. Up to the present 25 killed and 50 wounded have been recovered.

The Spanish Government authorises the publication of the following semi-official Note:—There is no truth in the report published in the *Cologne Gazette*, according to which Spanish officers serving in the Mediterranean on board British hospital ships are alleged to have stated that troops transported on these vessels enjoyed excellent health, though they appeared to be suffering from fever. All the information received by the Spanish Government justifies it in affirming that, contrary to the suggestions of the above-mentioned newspaper, no British hospital ship with Spanish officers on board has ever abused our protection or transported troops or war material of any sort.

BOLSHEVIKS' LATEST MOVE.

CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY DISSOLVED.

STRONG VOTE AGAINST THE "SOVIETS."

BLOODSHED IN PETROGRAD AND MOSCOW.

THE BREST-LITOVSK NEGOTIATIONS.

A Reuter telegram from Petrograd dated Saturday says:—The Constituent Assembly has been dissolved.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

An official statement dated Petrograd Saturday, says:—When the Constituent Assembly voted against the declaration by the President of the Central Executive Committee, after an hour's deliberation, the Bolsheviks left the hall, and were followed by the Social Revolutionaries of the Left, on the Assembly showing unwillingness to approve the manner in which the peace *pourparlers* were being conducted. At four o'clock this morning the Constituent Assembly was dissolved by sailors. To-day a Decree dissolving the Assembly will be published.

The following is transmitted through the wireless stations of the Russian Government:—

To All—Helsingfors, "Centrobalt," Central Navy Committee, Sebastopol, Baku, Cronstadt, Arkangelsk, Vladivostok, Osipov, and Murman.

Yesterday, January 18th, the inauguration of the Constituent Assembly took place. The Constitutent Assembly was opened by Comrade Sverdlaw. Comrade Chernoff was elected as President. Comrade Sverdlaw, in the name of the Council of the Soldiers', Workmen's, and Peasants' Deputies, submitted to the Assembly the request that the authority of the Council should be recognised, and that all decrees issued by the Council of the People's Commissaries should also be recognised, pending the clear definition of the relations of the Constituent Assembly and the Council. Those members of the Constituent Assembly who belong to the Bolshevik fraction and the Left wing of the Socialist-Revolutionaries withdrew themselves from the meeting. On the day of the inauguration of the Assembly popular manifestations took place. Soldiers, workmen, and sailors did not assist in these manifestations. At Petrograd a Naval Revolutionary Committee has been formed. Order is being maintained in the city by means of sailors, soldiers, and Red Guards. (Signed)

RIZHKOFF, for the Chief of the Political Department.

CAUSE OF THE DISSOLUTION.

A Petrograd message, dated Saturday, from Reuter's correspondent, says:—At an early hour this morning the Bolsheviks and the Left Social Revolutionaries, incorporated, walked out of the Constituent Assembly. By a majority of 273 votes to 140, representing the balance of parties between the Right Social Revolutionaries and the Bolsheviks, with the Left Social Revolutionaries, the Constituent Assembly had decided to proceed immediately to a discussion of the questions of peace, land, and workmen's control, deferring the consideration of a declaration of right presented by the Central Executive Committee of Soviets. Notwithstanding the menaces of sailors with bayonets, the Right Social Revolutionaries hurriedly passed the land measures and the proposal to send delegates to the belligerents with a view to preparing a world peace. Previously there had been most exciting scenes, during which one member drew a revolver against the Social Revolutionary leader, M. Tseretelli, but was disarmed. It is considered probable that the Soviets and Maximalist members of the Constituent Assembly will now proclaim themselves a National Convention.

Some shooting is reported to have occurred in Moscow during a demonstration in support of the Constituent Assembly.

OPENING OF THE ASSEMBLY.

The Constituent Assembly, says a Reuter message, dated Petrograd, Friday, was opened in the Taurida Palace this afternoon punctually at four o'clock, by the President of the Central Executive Committee of the Soviets of Workmen, Soldiers, and Peasants. Comrade Verdtoff read the declaration by the Central Executive Committee. The members attending the opening of the Constituent Assembly had all assembled in their places at two in the afternoon. Fighting had previously occurred in the streets. About noon a procession organised by the Society for the Defence of the Constituent Assembly, while marching to Taurida Palace, was attacked by a body of Maximalists, who pulled down and tore numerous flags and banners carried by the processionists. The first command to fire in the air was followed by machine-gun and rifle fire from all sides. A number of persons were killed, including M. Logvinoff, a member of the Executive Committee of Peasants' Deputies. Many were wounded, including several women.

The Assembly temporarily elected M. Tchernoff President by 244 votes against 151 given for Madame Spiridonowa.

The conflict between the Bolsheviks and the Union for the Defence of the Constituent Assembly has developed, great activity being displayed in connection with Saturday's demonstration on the occasion of the opening of the Assembly. It is believed that several regiments will take part. The majority of the workmen at the Putiloff Works (now closed), the workers at factories, workshops, and from other districts, will march towards the centre of the capital in close formation. The Bolsheviks are determined not to allow them to approach the Taurida Palace. Sailors from Kronstadt have taken over the guard of the Palace. It is feared that to-morrow's events will end in bloodshed.

Another message from Reuter's correspondent, dated Petrograd, Saturday, says:—The Constituent Assembly was opened yesterday by M. Sverdloff, Chairman of the Central Executive Committee of Soviets, who read the Committee's declaration of the rights of the working and exploited classes, proclaiming Russia a Republic of Soviets. The reading of the declaration was greeted with applause from the Bolshevik benches, and also from Bolshevik supporters in other parts of the House. The Bolshevik members then sang the *Internationale*, while all stood up.

Sailors armed with rifles, with bayonets fixed, were posted in the gangways between the Ministerial tribune and the Press boxes, and also at the doors. M. Lenin and all of the Commissioners, except M. Trotsky, were present, including Madame Kolartai, Commissioner for Public Welfare, who was simply dressed in black. There are only three or four women members of the Constituent Assembly. A large number of soldiers were to be seen on the Maximalist benches, representing of the Front. There were no national costumes worn. Outside the Taurida Palace two field guns, on either side of the entrance, served as a reminder, if one was needed, of the stern and relentless character of the Russian political struggle.

M. Tseretelli described the conditions under which the Constituent Assembly was meeting—faced by threats and bayonets, with Russia in the throes of civil war, with no inviolability of person or property, no liberty of speech at Press meetings or unions; with the people menaced with starvation and unemployment, with the dissolution of the country into separate states, in which the *bourgeoisie* would easily profit by the breach of various sections of the proletariat; with disorganisation of the Army, and with peace negotiations being conducted on such a basis as to make revolutionary Russia the vassal of German imperialism, or place the defenceless country at the mercy of international capitalism.

THE DECLARATION OF WORKMEN'S RIGHTS.

Below, says a Reuter telegram, dated Petrograd, Saturday, are some of the provisions of the Declaration of Workmen's Rights adopted by the Central Executive Committee of Soviets, and read to the Constituent Assembly:—

The Constituent Assembly resolves that Russia be declared a Republic of Councils of Workmen, Soldiers, and Peasants. Central and provincial power appertains to these Councils. The Republic Councils of Workmen's, Soldiers' and Peasants' Delegates is formed on the basis of a free alliance of free nations, constituting a federation of national Soviet Republic.

Then follows a long series of provisions.

Article 2, in particular, declares as abrogated the right of private proprietorship. The land on the surface, and underground rights, and all that it contains, is declared to be the property of the State as well as the forests and other properties of the kind. In the same article the principle of obligatory work for all is laid down, and the arming of the working classes, the disarming of the leisured classes, and the organisation of a Red Socialist Army of Workmen and Peasants are announced.

Article 3 approves the Soviet policy for a democratic peace on known principles, and endorses the Soviet decree, repudiating all Russian loans.

Article 4 says—Having been elected on the electoral registers drawn before the October revolution, and before the people had begun to organise a Socialist Society, the constitution of the Constituent Assembly considers that it can in no way oppose the power of the Soviets at the moment of the decisive struggle of the people against those who exploited them. The latter can find no place in the governing body. Power

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PEACE POURPARLERS.

A Reuter Petrograd telegram, dated Friday, says:—Speaking on behalf of the Russian Delegation at the Conference at Brest-Litovsk, M. Kamereff read a declaration that discussion had revealed differences of opinion as to the aim to be achieved for the supposed preliminary understanding as regards the proportion of territory over which the people would be free to exercise the right of self-determination; as regards the political procedure by which the governmental conditions of territories and of corresponding nations would be fixed; as regards a temporary change of Government pending the construction of permanent Governments for territories affected; and as regards a means by which the peoples of these territories would be called upon to express their will. For its part, the Russian Delegation indicated the following solutions. The Russian Government, by its own initiative, gives an opportunity to the portions of the nations in unoccupied territories to profit by the right of self-determination; Russia binds herself not to compel, either directly or indirectly, these territories to adopt any particular form of government, nor to interfere with their independence by customs or war treaties prior to the constitution of these territories, on the basis of the political self-determination of their inhabitants. The decision of the question of the future fate of these territories should be reached under conditions of full political liberty, without any external pressure. Consequently, the selection should take place after the evacuation of the foreign troops, and after the return of the inhabitants who had gone away during the war. The final decision as to the form of government of the said territories and the form of their interior arrangement should be arrived at by means of a referendum of the people.

Replying to M. Kamereff's declaration, General Hoffmann said that he was obliged to protest against the tone of those declarations. The Russian Delegation spoke like a conqueror who had invaded a German country. He said that the facts were exactly contrary to that. Victorious German troops were on Russian soil. He would point out that the Russian Delegation demanded the avowal of the right of the peoples, under a form and under conditions which were not admitted in their own country. The Government was founded exclusively upon violence, which suppressed every opinion but its own. Everybody whose views differed was simply denounced as counter-Revolutionary or Bourgeois, and therefore outside the law. The German High Command found it necessary to prevent anyone from interfering with the affairs of the occupied territories. It was to them that the people of the occupied territory had already declared their desire for separation from Russia, in precise terms, which left no doubt whatever. Further, for technical, geographical and administrative reasons, the German Military Command was forced to refuse the evacuation of Courland, Lithuania, Riga, and the islands of the Gulf of Riga. All those territories were without administrative organs, and they possessed neither tribunals nor legal bodies. They had no railways, posts, or telegraphs. All these things belonged to Germany, and were being provided for. Those people were unable to create in the near future their own troops and militia, for the want of public bodies who had the power to organise them.

BARON KUEHLMANN.

After General Hoffmann, Baron von Kuehlmann spoke, and said:—I must point out that an immediate detailed reply to all the points raised in the declaration which has been read is impossible. I reserve to myself the right to reply later, but I should like to formulate my personal opinion that the method indicated by the Russian Delegation, particularly the proposal that the two sides should exchange written documents, will not accelerate the *pourparlers*, especially if those documents resemble the declaration which has been made. I am of opinion that it would be better to continue in the form begun yesterday, so long as all the material which has to be discussed is not ready. After oral discussion we shall be able to fix in writing the results of our oral *pourparlers*. But, as the Russian Delegation has taken up a different point of view, I propose to interrupt the sitting in order to give us an opportunity to discuss the question that has been raised with our Allies.

M. Trotsky said:—It is easy to understand that the Russian Delegation has no desire to encumber the technical side of the *pourparlers*. If the enemy side thinks that the time has not come to discuss exact formulas, our declaration will be a proposal to be discussed, and we shall have retained our right in the course of future discussion to return to our declaration, entirely or partially, without wishing to impose on the enemy side a similar method of discussing the question.

Baron von Kuehlmann replied:—I regard such a proposal as undesirable. As our *pourparlers* are published, written *pourparlers* are not desirable. I maintain my point of view—that is to say, that before I reply to your declaration it is necessary for us to consult with our Allies.

The sitting then terminated.

BOLSHEVIKS AND UKRAINIANS.

(ADMIRALTY, PER WIRELESS PRESS.)

News transmitted through the wireless stations of the Russian Government contains the following despatch, dated Brest-Litovsk, January 16th, 1918:—

At the first meeting with the Ukrainian delegation, on January 8th, we declared that we consider to be inadmissible that there should be any particular discussions or official negotiations on the part of the Ukrainian delegation without our being informed, and we declared that we shall, on our part, inform the Ukrainian delegation of the nature and progress of all our negotiations with the other side. The General Secretary, Golabovich, replied that he has submitted this representation to his Government at Kieff, and that he has no doubt that he will receive an answer which will enable him to comply with our wishes. Since that time eight days have passed, and we have received no definite reply. On the other hand, there has been no response to our request that we shall be informed of the character of the negotiations which have taken place between the Ukrainians and the Austro-Germans before our arrival. At the meeting on January 15, in discussing the question of the evacuation of occupied territories, Kuehlmann declared, amongst other things, that the question of the frontiers of these territories was considered with the Ukrainians, and that this fact would have an influence on the negotiations. Noticing the fact of there having been diplomatic negotiations in which we have not participated, on the part of the Ukrainian delegation, we have sent to-day, signed by our President, Comrade Trotsky, the following letter to them:—

"To-day, during the negotiations with us, the President of the German delegation declared that the question concerning the occupied territories is in course of negotiation with the Ukrainian delegation, especially as regards the definition of frontiers, and that this must have a great influence on the arrangements. We are insisting, once more, that the delegation of the General Secretariat (the Ukrainians), in spite of the understanding arrived at on the first day as to the desirability of union of action against the common enemies, is continuing, as before, the negotiations with the Austro-German delegation. In spite of our request, and its own promise, it is not even showing us the minutes of these negotiations. As the essential interests of the labouring classes of Russia and Ukrainia are involved, we are repudiating responsibility for such negotiations, and we are addressing directly to the Ukrainian Central Committee at Kharkov the request that they shall take all measures, so that the interests of the Ukrainian People's Republic shall be defended from the unprincipled and treacherous secret game of the General Secretariat. It is no secret from you that the Ukrainian Central Executive Committee has, at the present time, much more right to represent the Ukrainian Republic than the Rada at Kieff. If we did not sooner protest against the action of the Ukrainian delegation in the negotiations, it was done in the hope that in the face of the common enemy their conduct would be in accordance with the elementary democratic principles which we profess, and that they would not create conflict between themselves, on the one side, and the Kharkov Central Executive Committee and us, on the other side. But inasmuch as your international policy, in harmony with your internal policy, is based on secret agreements and treachery to the cause of democracy, we think it necessary to declare that your authority is not of a kind which permits you to speak in the name of the independent Republic.

"KARAHAN."

CENTRAL POWERS AND THE UKRAINE.

Telegraphic communication with Germany (says a Reuter telegram, dated Amsterdam, Friday) is still delayed. According to the German papers, a report from Brest-Litovsk, dated January 16, states that a private meeting took place in the quarters occupied by Count Czernin, who is indisposed, between the delegates of the Central Powers and the Ukrainian delegates. An agreement in principle was reached on the question concerning the future political relations between the Central Powers and the Ukraine.

SPECIAL EXTRA.

THE GOEBEN AND BRESLAU.

Mr. Hurd, the naval expert of the *Daily Telegraph*, dealing with the very dashing action on the part of the British naval forces in the Mediterranean, says:—The Goeben and Breslau seldom stirred from their moorings off the Golden Horn, but to meet with damage in action with the Russians, or to encounter some other misfortune. The resources at Constantinople for repair were contemptible; so at last the Germans sent down workmen to patch them up; and patched up they were again and again. Occasionally it was reported that they had gone past repair, but such statements must, like the premature news of Mark Twain's death have been exaggerated. As recently as last summer the Goeben, to add to her many troubles, was bombed by Squadron Commander Savory and Lieutenant McClellan. These two officers flew in a Handley-Page twin tractor biplane from the British base, and from a height varying from 2,000 feet to 900 feet attacked the battle cruiser, which had all her lights on, and presented a brilliant target. The vessel was hit by no fewer than four bombs, but evidently the injury was in no way vital, else she could not have made her appearance at the entrance to the Dardanelles yesterday.

It was the escape of the Goeben and Breslau into the Dardanelles in August, 1914, and their bombardment of Odessa in the following October, says the *Morning Post*, that brought about Turkey's entry into the war on the side of the Central Powers.

Mr. H. W. Wilson, the naval expert of the *Daily Mail*, writes:—The bold attempt by the German battle cruiser Goeben and the light cruiser Breslau, supported by a number of Turkish destroyers to leave the Dardanelles, found the British Navy thoroughly on the alert. It is possible that the aim of the Germans was to break away to the Adriatic and join the Austrian Fleet, or they may have intended to impress the Turks by their enterprise. There has recently been criticism at Constantinople of their utter inactivity while the British were operating on the coast of Palestine, and they may have intended to try a dash against our vessels in that direction. Monitors are not designed for work against such powerful vessels as battle cruisers, and neither of the two British ships sunk would stand much chance against the ten 11in. guns which the Goeben mounts, while her speed, even if it falls far below her original 28 knots, would enable her to out-manœuvre them.

DESERTED RUSSIAN FRONT.

The Berlin papers draw an extraordinary picture of the state of affairs on the Russian front. The *Vossische Zeitung* says that, according to reliable news, the situation in the East is such that there can no longer be any question of a solid Russian front. As a result of the mass of desertions, including the departure of entire units, there are many sections up to two hundred kilometres in length where German troops are not faced by any opponents. Troops of deserters arrive on the German front, including officers, who, in some cases, have been deposed, but who, in other cases, have fled owing to the treatment meted out to them by the men, there being hardly any discipline for weeks past. War material has been transported away. Much, however, has simply been abandoned and lies buried under the snow, especially guns of heavy calibre, which are often left in their positions with no one to trouble about them.

RUSSIA AND VLADIVOSTOK.

A Petrograd telegram says:—The Bolshevik Commissioners have asked for explanations from the Japanese and British Embassies as to the reported occupation of Vladivostok.

A UNITED STATES WAR COUNCIL.

A *Times* war telegram from New York on Saturday says:—The Military Affairs Committee of the Senate has begun drafting a bill for the creation of a War Council to take over full control of the war under President Wilson's direction. The Council may be probably modelled, so far as its powers extend, after the British War Council. Reports from Washington state that President Wilson favours the plan, which is expected to give greater cohesion to the Government's war activity and policies. The composition of the War Council is not yet determined. Much favourable consideration is being given to the suggestion that it should consist of three civilians, outside the present Cabinet, with the War, Navy, and Treasury Secretaries as *ex-officio* members the sittings to be under the control of the President.

CONSCRIPTION FOR IRELAND DEMAND.

There has been an immediate and remarkable response to the National Party's demand for conscription for Ireland, says the *Morning Post*. Applications for many thousands of petition forms have been made to the headquarters, 22 King street, St. James's, London, S.W., and similar activity is reported from the various branch offices in the provinces. Large numbers of new members are joining the National Party.

DEATH OF EARL OF STRAFFORD.

The Times announces the death of the Earl of Strafford at Wrotham Park, Barnet, on Friday, aged 83. He succeeded his brother, the fourth Earl, in 1899. He held two London Vicarites, was sometime chaplain at Hampton Court Palace, and hon. chaplain to Queen Victoria. In 1874 he became chaplain to the House of Commons, officiating regularly there at prayer time up to 1889, when he resigned not only that appointment, but his chaplaincy-in-ordinary. He married twice, and is succeeded by Lord Enfield, the surviving son of his first marriage.

GATWICK PROSPECTS.

Advices from Gatwick last night, says the *Sportsman*, were to the effect that since the course was clear of water, the stream had gone down 2 feet 5 inches, and there did not seem the slightest fear of any obstacle to racing duly taking place to-day.

RACING SELECTIONS.

GATWICK MEETING.

(FROM THE SPORTSMAN OF TO-DAY.)

Warnham Hurdle—Carol Singer or Canute.
Four-Year-Old Hurdle—R. Day's best.
Tinsley Steeplechase—Angus.
Moderate Hurdle—Transvaal.
Kingswood Steeplechase—Shaun Spadah.
Pegasus Steeplechase—Loch Allen.

(FROM THE SPORTING LIFE OF TO-DAY.)

Warnham Hurdle—Fashion.
Four-Year-Old Hurdle—Cresset.
Tinsley Steeplechase—Grithorpe.
Moderate Hurdle—Regal.
Kingswood Steeplechase—Shaun Spadah.
Pegasus Steeplechase—Loch Allen.

DIVIDENDS.

PARKER'S BURSLEM BREWERY.—Interim dividend of 8 per cent. per annum (8/- per share) on Ord. for the half-year.

GOVERNMENT STOCK AND OTHER SECURITIES INVESTMENT.—Dividend of 5½ per cent. on the Def. Ord. Stock for the year.

W. TARNY AND CO.—Final dividend on Ord. of 5 per cent., making 7½ per cent. for the year.

OMNIUM INVESTMENT.—A dividend on the Def. Stock for the year of 4½ per cent.

PLOWMAN BARRETT.—5 per cent. on the Pref. for the year.

BIRMINGHAM GREAT WESTERN ARCADE.—15/4 4-5d. per share (interim).

ARRIVAL OF PRISONERS FROM GERMANY.

Large numbers of people assembled on the river banks approaching the docks at Grimsby yesterday to welcome the British prisoners of war returning from Germany. It was seen that many of the poor fellows used crutches, and all wore dark blue prisoner suits and hats with a yellow band. A party of the gallant cripples lining the side of the boat waved their crutches and cheered. At the end came a small paddle boat carrying the mental cases. All was silent there. Only a few ship's officers stood on the deck. Khaki-clad men lined the dock head, where a naval guard was also drawn up. The Mayor had been invited to give a civic welcome. On being got ashore the military were taken from the quay to the fish pontoon and given hot refreshments. Among them were Canadians and Australians and men representing nearly every unit in the British Army, some of them having been in German prison camps for three years. The party numbered 320. There were nearly seventy cot cases put on one long hospital train, which left for London. Seven civilians were identified, and are stated to comprise merchant seamen from vessels captured by the raider Moewe.

The following names appear amongst those officers and soldiers who were prisoners of war in Germany, and who have arrived in Holland for transfer to England:—

Officers.—Cooper, Lt. H. A., London R., and R.F.C.; Craig, Lt. J. L. W., M.C., R. Welsh Fus.; Don, Capt. F. P., Yeomanry and R.F.C.; Hunter, Lt. G. D., Can. Inf., attd. R.F.C.; Kelly, Sec. Lt. C. M., R.F.C.; Skinner, Capt. F. G., Middlesex R.; Townsend, Lt. E. J. D., R.F.A. and R.F.C.; Tayler, Sec. Lt. H. M., M.M., South Afr. Inf., attd. R.F.C.; Whitehead, Lt. A. D. R. War. R., attd. R.F.C.

Warrant Officers, Non-commissioned Officers, and Men.—Royal Irish Regt.—Butler, 5868, W.; Ryan, 5058 R.; Sullivan, 8641, D. Royal Inniskilling Fus.—Gibson, 23413, A.; Nelson, 27949, D. Royal Irish Rifles—Chapman, 2170, A.; Corbett, 123, H.; Schwab, 44014, G. N. Royal Irish Fus.—Gormley, 9841, P. Leinster Regt.—Kelly, 1080, Lce.-Cpl. E.

WAR SAVINGS CERTIFICATES.

The Treasury announce that they intend at the first convenient opportunity to obtain legislation to allow the encashment of War Savings Certificates held by any individual owner to be postponed beyond the period of five years until the maturity of the last-dated certificate in his possession, and to provide that any certificate held after maturity during this interval shall increase in value at a flat rate of one penny a month. It will, of course, be for the holder to decide if he wishes to take advantage of this arrangement or prefers to cash each certificate on its maturity.

THE WORLD OVER.

PEOPLE, PLACES, AND EVENTS IN THE NEWS.

STANDARD SUITS READY FOR SUMMER.

From 750,000 to 1,000,000 standard suits will be ready for the summer.

BURIED IN STONE COFFINS.

Six skeletons have been unearthed in stone coffins at Caldey Island, Pembrokeshire. They are supposed to date from the pre-Christian era.

DUKE'S BAN ON ALCOHOL.

The Duke of Devonshire announces that he is banning alcoholic liquors from Government House, says Reuter from Ottawa.

ASSISTANT SHIPPING CONTROLLER.

Mr. G. E. Chadwyck Healey has been appointed Vice-Chairman of the Shipbuilding Council and Assistant to the Controller.

SERVICE IN FRANCE AT 68.

Private F. Tokeley, of Sevenoaks, attached to the A.V.C., is home on leave, and, although 68 years of age, has seen two and a half years' service in France.

ONE-MAN BUSINESSES.

Proprietors of one-man businesses are forming an association to enable them to become conversant with the new regulations recently issued to Tribunals.

SNOW STOPS BRITISH INDUSTRIES FAIR.

The opening date of the British Industries Fair at Glasgow has been postponed to May 6th, owing to a portion of the Fair Hall roof having collapsed through the heavy snow.

4,500 JOBS FOR PLUMBERS.

As a result of the thaw it has been reported to the Newcastle and Gateshead Water Company that the number of burst pipes in Newcastle and district was 4,500.

SEPARATION ORDER UP TO DATE.

Seeking separation from her husband, a woman asked the Greenwich magistrates to make an order for 1d. a week, as she could support herself, but wanted to be able to ask for an increase if her circumstances changed. The order was granted.

SOLDIERS' LEAVE FROM FRANCE.

The War Office announces that the latest return received from the Field-Marshal Commanding-in-Chief shows that 506,000 men were granted leave home from France during the period from September 11th to January 10th, or on the average of over 150,000 men each month.

FORMER INDIAN COMMANDER DEAD.

General Sir Beauchamp Duff, Commander-in-Chief in India from 1913 to 1916, was found dead in bed at a West End club in London yesterday morning. When he retired to bed on Saturday night General Duff appeared in his usual health.

SEAMAN'S REASONABLE GROUNDS.

A seaman, charged at the Thames Police Court with failing to join his ship (which was chartered by the Admiralty), said he had been torpedoed twice. He was not afraid to go, but the forecastle was dirty, verminous, and leaky. The magistrate held that Gilmore had reasonable grounds for refusing.

AN AIR ACCIDENT.

While hundreds of people at Shortlands, Kent, were watching an airman looping the loop, the machine dived, and, turning over crashed to earth. It fell on two one-storey cottages, breaking through the roofs, and smashing part of the front wall. The airman was killed on the spot.

LABOUR'S NOTABLE CONVERT.

Professor E. V. Arnold, who—as it is now quite impossible to conceal—wrote the famous "Ferment of Revolution" articles in *The Times*, has formally joined the Labour Party (says the *New Statesman*). Professor Arnold has occupied the Chair of Latin in the University of North Wales for over thirty years.

OLD AMATEUR CRICKETER DEAD.

The death occurred at Cheltenham on Saturday of the Rev. Percy Hattersley Smith, M.A., for forty-four years a member of the teaching staff of Cheltenham College. He was a fine cricketer, and was a playing member of the M.C.C. He played for Gloucestershire forty years ago, and later for his native County of Cambridge. Two of his sons have been killed during the war.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S FINANCIAL ADVISER.

Lord Cross, who is engaged to Miss Maud Inigo Jones, is a grandson of the late Lord Cross, one of Queen Victoria's trusted statesmen, whom he succeeded in 1914. He was born in 1882, and his name has not been much before the public, but for the last six years he has been private secretary to Permanent Secretaries to the Treasury. The first Lord Cross mentioned above was, apart from being a Cabinet Minister, the trusted adviser of Queen Victoria as to investments.

DUG HIS OWN GRAVE.

It is rarely that a man digs his own grave, and more rarely that he is doomed to occupy it as soon as it is dug. Yet Frank Krenk, of Abie, Nebraska, did both. Krenk, who was 75, accompanied by his son-in-law, had just completed digging the grave in the National Cemetery when the accident happened. Krenk, wishing his body to be buried deep at his death, had dug the grave to a depth of more than 10 feet. In removing the supports he fell into the grave head foremost, breaking his neck. He was dead when taken out. He was buried in the grave he had taken so much pains to prepare.

FRENCH GOVERNMENT AND PLOTS.

OVERWHELMING VOTE OF CONFIDENCE.

A Reuter telegram, dated Paris, Friday, says—The Chamber to-day discussed the interpellation of the Socialist delegate, M. Poucet, on the fund called La Part du Combattant, which had been started by the Royalist journal, *L'Action Française*, in violation, according to M. Poucet, of the law on charities which appeal to public generosity. M. Poucet gave details regarding this fund.

In the course of the discussion M. Pugliesi Conti attacked M. Poucet for, he said, wanting in the middle of the war to establish with German money the newspaper *Le Populaire* at Limoges. M. Pugliesi Conti also attacked several Deputies for writing for Swiss newspapers edited in German.

M. Poucet, in reply, defied M. Pugliesi Conti to produce to the Government any proofs that French Deputies had written for German newspapers. Then, returning to the subject of the interpellation, the speaker expressed surprise that the Government should have allowed the continuance of the fund of *L'Action Française*, which journal he accused of bringing discredit upon the Republic. In conclusion he asked the Government not to allow the Royalists to continue their agitation.

The Minister of the Interior, replying to the interpellation, said—The Government is the determined adversary of all civil war intrigues, which it will combat with all the force of its governmental power. The Minister went on to dilate on the steps which would be taken to keep a watch on the war funds appealing to public generosity, and he added—The State does not need to have its duty traced for it when it is a question of generosity towards the combatants.

The Chamber adopted the Order of the Day condemning the civil war plots of the Royalists or others tending to divide the country in the face of the enemy, expressing confidence in the Government's intention to suppress them and assure the defence of Republican institutions by strict applications of the law.

M. Clemenceau, in accepting the Order of the Day, declared that the Government had decided to prosecute all anti-Republican plots.

The part of the Order expressing confidence in the Government was adopted by 404 votes to 1.

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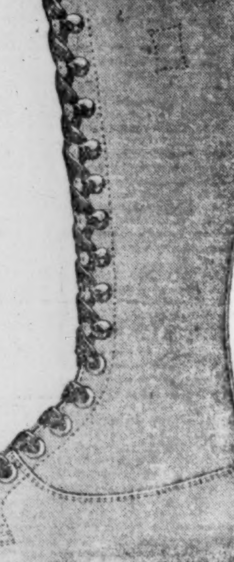
Lotus



AGAIN this winter, parents are sending Lotus to their sons at the front because these boots never fail to keep the feet warm and dry on the march and in the trenches.

The makers, who always brand their name on the soles, guarantee these boots to be absolutely waterproof and supply them through the shops appointed in every town to sell Lotus.

And just now, so short is the supply, officers actually at the front are the only men who are getting these high leg field boots. The shops selling them arrange for every pair to go direct from the factory to addresses in Flanders, France, Italy, &c.

Lotus Ltd, Stafford
Makers of Lotus and Delta Boots
Agents everywhere

Guaranteed Waterproof
No. 559 Low Leg ... 55/.
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RAILWAY ACCIDENT IN ENGLAND.

SCOTCH EXPRESS RUNS INTO LANDSLIDE.

MANY KILLED AND INJURED.

On Saturday afternoon a serious accident occurred on the Midland Railway main line to Carlisle, resulting in a death roll estimated, as far as the meagre details to hand to date indicate, at from seven to twelve, or fifteen, a similar number of passengers being more or less seriously injured. The train involved was the 8.50 a.m. express from St. Pancras to Glasgow *via* Leicester and Leeds. It was a long train, well filled with passengers, for Carlisle and Scotland. All went well until the express reached the valley of the Eden, by which the railway runs down a steep gradient through tunnels, over a bridge and between an embankment from Appleby to Carlisle.

At a point called Long Meg, between Lazonby and Little Salkeld Stations, about fifteen miles south of Carlisle, the railway runs between steep banks. The recent severe frost and thaw had evidently loosened the earth on the bank, for as the express was approaching the cutting the driver, named Whitworth, of Carlisle, saw the landslide occur, several tons of earth falling on to the railway, and blocking both lines. Applying the brakes, Whitworth succeeded in lessening the scope of the accident, but the whole train passing over the obstruction became derailed. The first carriage was telescoped, the second was turned over on its side, and the engine ran into the bank on one side of the line.

The passengers killed or injured were all stated to have been travelling in the first two carriages of the express, some being partly buried in the landslide. Whitworth and his fireman, Costello, also a Carlisle man, marvellously escaped with a severe shacking. Doctors and nurses were telegraphed for, and a fully equipped ambulance train left Carlisle for the scene of the accident, where, darkness coming on, the work of rescue and relief was performed with difficulty. Later in the evening a relief train conveyed the North passengers of the derailed express to Carlisle, and also four of the injured, the names of the latter being: Mr. John Barclay, West Regent street, Glasgow; Nurse Catherine Johnston, of Hamilton, Glasgow; Mrs. Miller, Furze street, Carlisle; and Mrs. Murray, East Norfolk street, Carlisle.

Up till late on Saturday night no list of killed or of the remaining injured could be obtained, but it was learned that among the killed were several women and two children. A mother was travelling with an infant. She was killed, and the baby taken care of by the Salvation Army.

SURVIVORS REACH GLASGOW.

The relief train, carrying many survivors of the smash, reached Glasgow at 11 o'clock on Saturday night. News of the accident had reached Glasgow during the early evening, and many anxious relatives awaited the special train. There were many affecting scenes when the relief train drew up at St. Enoch Station. Practically all the passengers showed outward traces of their painful ordeal. None were seriously injured, but many complained of shock and minor sufferings.

Thrilling details were related to a Press Association representative at the station. A pathetic group was that of Mrs. Bramwell Booth, wife of the head of the Salvation Army, and their son and daughter, Captain Bernard Booth, and Captain Olive Booth. They had travelled to Glasgow to attend a young people's conference, but Mrs. Booth left London on Friday night, while her son and daughter were passengers in the express which came to grief. Both escaped with shock and slight bruises. They brought to Glasgow with them an infant girl of ten months, picked up from the wreckage, and whose mother is believed to be among the passengers killed, and the child was crying bitterly, as both arms had been slightly scalded with steam, and otherwise burned.

As the Captains Booth appeared at the carriage door in St. Enoch Station they were greeted by their mother, who was anxiously awaiting their arrival. There was an affectionate re-union, and soon a crowd gathered round, attracted by the story of the motherless infant. Mrs. Booth took the child in her arms, and carried it to the station hotel, while she was accompanied by the two Captains and other Salvation Army officers.

CAPTAIN BOOTH'S STORY.

Captain Bernard Booth's hands were blackened and torn through his exertions with axe and saw while assisting to extricate the injured from the wreckage. Although considerably shaken he composedly narrated his marvellous escape, and he warmly eulogised the military officers, nurses, and others who so heroically helped in the work of rescue.

He said:—"It was a fairly considerable landslide, and the train went right through the obstruction, whatever it was. There was absolutely no warning, and we were travelling pell mell. There was no indication that the brakes were being applied prior to the smash. Immediately they ran into the obstruction the brakes were put on hard. In one minute the whole train came to a standstill. I was seated in the third coach. The engine was off the rails, and with four carriages it tilted over against the embankment. The first coach was upside down, and at right angles across the lines. There were only ten people in that, and all were more or less injured. Three women were got out from the wreckage in another coach. Five women were passengers in one compartment. One was killed jumping through the open doorway as the carriage reared up. She was horribly mutilated, the body striking part of the wreckage of the front part of the train.

"The lives of the other women were saved by the presence of mind of a police patrol woman. The door had been carried away, but the policewoman, who was thrown on the floor, spread out her legs across the open doorway, and pushed back the three women who were attempting to jump out. It is my belief that the woman who jumped out was the mother of the baby girl who was picked up by a military officer, and handed to my sister.

"When the smash came there was a terrific lurch, and I was thrown forward. I threw my arms round my sister to protect her as three cases and other luggage from the rack came tumbling down on me. Our coach was tilted up, and was lying at an acute angle on the embankment, but we were able to open one door and alight. We hurried forward to where the wreckage was worst. There were several military officers there, and one cannot speak too highly of their work. We shouted for axes, and a fireman brought tools, with which we hurried to help to extricate the injured who were pinned down. One military officer who had been injured in the back came forward to help, but he soon collapsed, and later I saw him sitting in the mud. When we were taken subsequently to Carlisle he had to be conveyed to hospital in an ambulance. There were four Queen Alexandra nurses among the passengers, and they behaved heroically.

"It was an awful job getting the injured up the embankment owing to the ice and melted snow, but we got broken carriage doors and cushions and improvised stretchers, and in that way managed to climb the embankment, and over a fence. I saw what appeared to be a village a little way off, and ran there. The vicar and his son had already hurried to the scene, and they both rendered good service.

"A remarkable feature in the affair was that I did not see one woman faint or hear any shouting except from those who were severely injured; but it was a most distressing scene. The little child when discovered was given to the care of my sister, and is being taken to one of our homes here while we make every effort to trace its parents. A pitiful sight was that of an old gentleman and lady who had been pinned underneath some wreckage, and were held there by a steel beam. We had to break, saw, and cut a way through the wreckage before we got to them. Both were conscious, and the old gentleman especially seemed to be suffering severely. Though we were there for about three hours no breakdown gang of any description appeared. It was about four o'clock when the accident happened. It was quite dark. Snow and ice seemed all around us, while it was raining heavily. The rescuers worked with frenzied energy, especially when they saw some wounded soldiers among the wreckage. In one of the coaches we discovered a young boy hanging down from the roof with his scalp torn off. So far as I observed there were three adults, all women, and two children who appeared to have been killed.

"I cannot praise too highly the work of the lady attendant of the train, who within a minute after the accident came rushing along the line ripping up table cloths and linen, making them into bandages."

AGONISING SCENES.

Mrs. McKillop, wife of Mr. Jas. McKillop, of Grosvenor Restaurant, Glasgow, and sister of Mr. Macdonald Hastings, playwright, remarked, "Thank God, I had a really miraculous escape. I had only got seated a few minutes in the dining saloon when I was shaken fearfully with a great smashing noise, followed by the train shooting on. Before I could realise what it was I heard crashing and screaming, and then knew that a disaster had occurred. The chief fact, as far as I was concerned, was that the saloon seemed to be the only carriage that had kept the rails. Heartrending in all conscience were the scenes afterwards of the fearful agony some of the poor souls pinned down must have undergone. They were still extricating people when we came away. I shall never forget the pitiful scenes as our relief train came to Dumfries, Annan, and other stations on the way up. News of the accident had spread, and anxious friends rushed to the carriages to ascertain if their friends had escaped."

A young engineer from Sheffield spoke proudly of the passengers' conduct. They behaved as British to the backbone. He was conversing with a lady passenger when the smash occurred. Five of them were thrown to the floor in a heap. They all escaped with a severe shaking and bruises. He assisted with ropes to pull away the wreckage and to release the injured pinned beneath. One incident stuck in his memory. Someone shouted out "What about the locomotive?" but by that time a young officer of the Royal Flying Corps had rushed up to the engine and shut off steam. "Smart, I called it," added the young engineer.

LIST OF DEAD.

The following is believed to be a complete list of the dead:—

Geoffrey C. Whiting, aged 13, Humphrey Whiting, aged 7 (brothers), of Holmrock, Clarence road, St. Albans; a boy aged about 7 or 8; woman about 50 years of age; woman about 45 years of age, supposed to be a Mrs. Roberts, of Greenock; woman supposed to be a Mrs. Miller, of Glasgow. The baby found unhurt has been identified as Mrs. Miller's infant. The Whiting boys were on their way back to school at Wetherall. They should have returned on Thursday, but one had a severe cold, and their journey was postponed until Saturday. Their mother is a daughter of Mrs. Carrick, of Oakbank, near Carlisle. The uncle of the lads identified the bodies.

THE INJURED.

The following is believed to be a full list of the injured who were taken to hospital at Carlisle:—Private D. Morrison, Seaforth Highlanders, whose home is at Glasgow, slight contusion of the legs; Private W. Firth, Cameronians, Caldew street, Caddyfields, Halifax, contusion of legs; Sergeant A. Donald, Highland Brigade, Hanging Shaw, Glasgow, abdominal contusion (may be worse); Mr. L. Grew, Myddleton terrace, Carlisle, in business at Bradford, slight cut on the head. In Cumberland Infirmary, Carlisle—Robert Russell, of Bradford and Pollockshields, injuries to head and sundry wounds; John Barclay, West Regent street, Glasgow, slight scalp wound; Miss Catherine Johnston Hamilton, a nurse, from Camberley Hospital, both legs broken (serious); Miss Ellen Henry, Furze street, Carlisle, slight injuries; Mrs. Murray, of Nelson, Lancs, sent home; Mrs. Smith, Cromwell street, Glasgow, injury to the right knee and leg, sent home; Captain Wilson, Officers' Convalescent Home, Bishop Briggs, Glasgow, shock, sent home; Mr. Whitlaw Newlands, Glasgow, shock.

Among others injured who were sent home were:—Lieutenant J. D. Pollock, V.C., Cameron Highlanders, travelling to Craig Lockhart Military Hospital, Edinburgh; Driver Perkins, of Skipton, travelling as passenger, collarbone broken; Guard Calder, of Glasgow; David Frew, train attendant, Glasgow; and Driver Whitworth, of the ill-fated train, who had his ankle sprained while engaged in rescue work.

Mrs. Murray, of Nelson, one of the injured passengers, said that she had a premonition of the accident. Just before it happened she reached up to the rack, and got her purse out of a coat. She remembered nothing more until she found a man attending to her. He turned out to be a relative, Costello, the fireman of the express, whom she had never met before.

Nurse Catherine Johnston, of Hamilton, Glasgow, who was travelling home from Camberley, Surrey, and Miss Ellen Henry, domestic servant, journeying to Carlisle, are in a critical condition.

It is expected that the inquest will be opened to-day.

BOLSHEVIKS' LATEST MOVE

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must lie exclusively in the hands of the working classes and their representatives, the Soviets.

CLAIMS OF THE MODERATES.

The Constituent Assembly, says a Reuter message from Petrograd, dated Saturday, dispersed at five this morning, after arranging to re-assemble at noon. A declaration by the Moderates and Socialists was read by M. Tseretelli, a former member of the Duma, who is now probably the most popular Social Revolutionary leader in the country. His appearance in the Tribune was cheered to the echo by the Social Revolutionaries; whilst the Maximalists whistled and hooted, shouting "Traitor," "Scoundrel," "Get out," etc. Krilenko, the Bolshevik Commander-in-Chief, was among the hurlers of epithets, and when M. Tchernoff, former Minister of Agriculture, and Social Revolutionary leader, after several vain appeals for order, threatened to take measures against the interjectors, Krilenko exclaimed, "Try it; your day is over."

M. Tseretelli, who spoke for an hour, arraigned the Bolshevik usurpation of power, and insisted that the supreme rights of the Russian Republic should be invested in the Constituent Assembly.

Allied and neutral diplomats were not invited to attend the opening of the Constituent Assembly. There were also no Cadet members present.

At the Taurida Palace, the All-Russian Railwaymen's Congress, by 273 votes to 261, carried a resolution supporting the Constituent Assembly, and calling on the People's Commissioners to come to an agreement with the majority, with a view to the formation of a Government which would be responsible to the Constituent Assembly.

The declaration called on the working classes to refuse to submit to the dictatorship of a minority, and to stand up for the full power of the Constituent Assembly. It insisted, notably, that the Constituent Assembly alone was competent to express the will of the people for the concusion of peace, and proposed the election of the representatives to regulate the armistice already existing on the Russian front, and to invite all belligerents immediately to enter into negotiations for a general peace, in which revolutionary Russia would uphold the revolutionary principles bound up in the revolution. Replying to M. Tseretelli, the Maximalist, M. Skovortzoff, described Parliamentary institutions as fetishes and ideals only for the bourgeois classes.

The spokesman of the Social Revolutionaries proposed the discussion of most vital questions, of which the first four dealt with peace, and the most speedy way of ending the war, the fundamental land laws, the new form of government of Russia, the regulation of industry, and measures to combat unemployment.

A representative of the Social Revolutionary Left read a declaration rejecting any encroachment by the Constituent Assembly on the authority now concentrated in the hands of the Soviets.

FIRING IN THE STREETS.

Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd, writing on Saturday, says:—Processions are not allowed anywhere near the Taurida Palace, where the Constituent Assembly has met. The shooting this morning occurred close to the Liteing Bridge. There was some shooting in the Liteing Prospekt, and this afternoon, when another procession reassembled, after having been dispersed by a warning shot in the air, the sailors were the chief shooters. They included members of the crew of the Polar Star, formerly the yacht of the Dowager Empress. Machine guns were fired from the roofs. The processionists either fled or threw themselves on the ground. Several were killed or wounded. One soldier, carrying a flag, remained in the middle of the road, and shouted to the Red Guards: "I have been three years at the front; kill me here if you want to." He was shot dead on the spot. The Red Guards tore off the badges of the processionists, and several banners were burned. The procession included a great proportion of women and girls, besides officers, disabled soldiers, students, Government employés, and bank employés now on strike.

MANY PERSONS KILLED AT MOSCOW.

A Petrograd Saturday telegram says:—Many persons were killed and wounded as a result of the Red Guards' firing on the Moscow pro-Constituent Assembly demonstrators.

SIR GEORGE BUCHANAN'S OPINION.

Sir George Buchanan, British Ambassador to Russia, in the course of an interview with Reuter's representative, said:—As to the political situation, it is obvious that I cannot fully express my views in the public Press. The main fact to realise is that the Bolshevists are, without doubt, masters of the situation in Northern Russia, at any rate for the present. As to the Constituent Assembly, which, according to your telegrams, has met to-day in somewhat difficult and dramatic circumstances, it seems that the Social Revolutionaries have an actual majority, but this does not alter the fact that the Bolshevists have the real power, and will maintain it, even by force if necessary. Bolshevist doctrines are, without doubt, spreading throughout the whole of Russia, and they appeal very specially to those who have nothing to lose. As to the future of Russia, added the Ambassador, I would make no forecast, even were I able to do so. Of one thing I am convinced, Russia is not finished. Such a vast country cannot be wiped out, and I believe that the innate honesty and common sense of the people will enable her to pull through. If you ask me how or when, I can only reply I do not know, but of the fact I am quite convinced.

RIOTS IN SPAIN.

Reuter's correspondent at Madrid telegraphed on Sunday:—An official telegram from Alicante, issued here, says:—This morning a disorderly demonstration took place, and workmen were compelled to stop work. The crowd attacked shops and private houses, and forced the middle-class women to join the ranks of the demonstrators. The Civil Guard attempted to disperse the crowd, but was fired upon from the windows, and returned the fire, killing three men.

Fashionable Intelligence

The Marquis and Marchioness of Lansdowne have left Lansdowne House for Bowood, Calne, Wilts.

Lady Anglesey gave birth to a girl on Saturday night.

The Earl and Countess of Carlisle have left London for Ravenglass, Cumberland.

Lord Curzon is making good progress.

Lord Atkinson, who has been for some time at Bath, returned to London on Saturday.

Lord Edward FitzGerald has arrived in London from Berwick-on-Tweed.

Mr. Jesse Collings, M.P., who has been very ill for some months at his home at Edgbaston, Birmingham, is improving. Mr. Collings is eighty-seven, and has sat in Parliament since 1880.

Dr. P. J. Keogh has left 19 Lower Fitzwilliam street for one week.

Switzer's Sale—New Bargains are added to-day to replace those sold out in various departments.

At Holmes' Sale—Splendid Fur Bargains. In view of recent advance in price of raw skins, the exceptional values offered are hardly likely to be ever repeated. Fur Neckwear, Sets, Stoles, Wraps, Capes, and Coats at Genuine Reductions.—W. Holmes, Dublin, Ltd., 69, 70, 71 George's street.

Miss Barry has returned to 25 Stephen's Green from London.

Mourning Orders are promptly dealt with by Dartry Dye Works, Dartry road, Dublin, and a good black is ensured.

Slyne's Winter Sale—Evening Gown in Daffodil Georgette, soft, pretty corsage, skirt with deep tucks and finished with crystal at waist. Price 5 guineas.—71 Grafton street.

Our Annual Sale of Models, Costumes, Coats, and Furs of the finest quality.—Coyle, 24 Grafton street.

Brown, Thomas and Co.'s Great Annual Winter Sale now proceeding. Every Article Reduced.

New Year's Sale now on. Special Bargains.—Doyle and Son, Ltd., 38 Mary street.

"SOFTENS AND WHITENS THE SKIN."—Lady Constance Howard writes:—"I like the 'ALBION MILK AND SULPHUR SOAP' very much; it is pleasant to use and whitens and softens the skin." Delightfully perfumed. Sold by Chemists, Grocers, etc.

39/6—Black Silk Sports Coats—Davis and Co. (late of Ogilvy's), 36 Exchequer street, have now got delivery of these goods. They are worth 47/6. The Removal Sale Price is 39/6.

Gibson and Co., Ladies' Tailors. Specialists in designing and cutting. All models made on the premises. Inspection invited.—141 Lr. Baggot st.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

THE DUBLIN CATTLE TRADE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—My attention has been drawn to a note of an interview, as reported in the *Irish Times* of January 14th, held with Sir Thomas Russell, Bart., on the above subject. In this interview Sir Thomas Russell is reported to have said that it is a "malicious lie" to state that 200 cattle perished since the 1st October last as the result of the congestion at the Port of Dublin, and that 10,000 tons of beef were wasted. If the statement be untrue, and if, in the critical time in which we live, it seems to reflect on one or more of His Majesty's Ministers, surely it deserves the strongest punishment which the Defence of the Realm Act permits?

But, sir, so far as I am aware, neither myself nor anyone of the trade, of which I am a member, has, as the first word of your paragraph would seem to imply, "levelled any charge at the trade of the Port of Dublin." Quite on the contrary, the greatest gratitude has been almost invariably expressed for the efforts of the management of each shipping company, and for the ceaseless and untiring endurance of their officials and the shipping live stock agents in their endeavours to relieve the extraordinary pressure in very exceptional circumstances.

Sir Thomas Russell's statement that he knows "nothing" of this loss will not surprise Irish stock men, but his language surely must. The estimate that not less than 200 cattle intended for the English meat markets perished as a result of exhaustion and want of proper food owing to the congestion at the Port of Dublin, and that something approximate to 10,000 tons of beef were wasted in Ireland, is not only my careful estimate, but it is, by most men whose business, like mine, brought them into daily touch with what went on at the Port of Dublin, held to be rather under than over the mark. There is a law by which people can be held answerable for malicious falsehoods, so for myself and for many friends in the cross-Channel food trade to England I shall be happy to be permitted to make myself responsible for this statement, as above questioned.

From the 1st October well into the middle of December it would, indeed, take a graphic pen to describe the awful sufferings of the unhappy cattle shut up in the Dublin shipping yards and lairages. In the first part of the former month, in the full flood of what is known as the Irish season (beef), cattle (amongst the number some of mine) were unloaded from boats in Dublin when the port was closed owing to Admiralty requirements. Huge numbers of cattle were on their way to Dublin then and for the following week, and a well posted authority estimates that during the second week of October 13,000 cattle were locked up in the Dublin lairages; also a like number in Belfast. It was then that cattle began to die, and, were it not that our Irish cattle are the soundest and healthiest, I believe, in all the world, it is certain that a pestilence must have supervened.

It was then that some leaders of the cattle trade appealed for assistance to Lord Rhondda and represented to him what was taking place. What we desired was that steps should be taken to give the trade some notice when the port was closed, in order to keep cattle on their own pastures during the time of stress. Lord Rhondda immediately replied by despatching a representative to Dublin, who, in conjunction with the Admiralty Controller of the Port of Dublin, did all that seemed possible to meet our views. Is this, too, a "malicious lie?"

An Irish representative peer, who, like his illustrious father, has ever evinced a great interest in Irish live-stock, visited some of the scenes of disaster. It was about the stroke of mid-day, long past the time when "*débris*" has been removed, that this nobleman reached the port. There was, it is true, on that day, in the yards which were visited, but one dead bullock to be seen; but there were many cattle on that day, rapidly approaching the last stage of exhaustion. The first question his lordship asked was: "How is it that no racks are erected in which to place hay to feed the poor beasts?" Are the shipowners "malicious liars," too, or is it true that there are no hay-racks in these yards because Sir Thomas Russell's administration will not permit their erection?

The shipping agents of the owners worked like heroes through all this distressing time—fed their charges really well, only to see the hay in the thronged press of cattle rapidly trampled into manure, because the racks did not exist. I did not see all the dead cattle—only some of them. When falling, they were speedily removed; when ultimately released, many of them, going on the boats weak, could not stand the journey. I saw their poor bodies, often masses of discolouration—what is known as "Wallasey dressed"—hung up at Birkenhead, only in most cases to be met by the cut of the fateful cross.

What need for more of these harrowing details, most patiently borne by men who have played, I think, not an unworthy part to cater for the food supply of Great Britain, and whom I am really happy to think are "malicious liars" in the mind of Sir Thomas Russell only? To do him full justice in what has been said and written on this subject, he is not held most severely to blame. There is another, outside the Irish Administration, responsible, when our ships are sailing, for a ten-hours' detention to our cattle, and it is this same ten hours which has, in my opinion, played the greatest part in the cruelties and losses which have occurred.

You will hear, sir, more of this anon, for a letter has been addressed, setting forth much of what I write, to every member of the British House of Commons on this subject, appealing for remedy and redress. Yet His Majesty's Minister for Irish Agriculture, with the palatial and costly structure for his Department, within almost stone's throw of the cattle yards, knows so little of what has taken place that he selects the words "malicious lie" to describe it all.—Yours, etc.,

E. KENNEDY.

Bishop's Court, Straffan,
January 18th, 1918.

THE EGG CASE ORDER.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Now that the railway companies have made a tentative move towards grappling with the enormous national wastage of timber in packing-cases, not to mention the locked-up capital in returned empties, why not take the bull by the horns and let the Government revolutionise the whole thing? I submit the following scheme for the criticism of those concerned:—

A conference should sit and settle on a series of standard cases or crates. The railway companies should accept goods in no other sizes, except certain specified lines of goods that require special treatment. The cost of these crates would be credited to the sender by the railway on receiving them for the first time for transit, and would be debited to the consignee on delivery. At every first-class station there would be a case *dépôt*, which would pay cash for all cases received, less cost of wear and tear and damage. The function of these *dépôts* would be to repair, re-lid, and deodorise the cases ready to be hired out locally or sent in large batches to centres that required a certain sized case.

The cases must be strong, simple, and collapsible for storage purposes, easily repaired and assembled, and made finger-proof by some other means than that antiquated method of nailing. Many cases would be used merely as outer shells to protect the more flimsy boxes used by special trades, such as chocolates, boots, fish, fruit, etc. These standard cases would be made to fit with each other as bricks do, so as to save space in stowing. They would be handled by machinery at every port and railway centre, minimising labour problems.

The only hope of success would be in universal adoption, as with the one gauge for railways, and now is the time to strike, when individualism must give way *pro bono publico* if we are to win through. It might even influence that one-eyed masterpiece of muddle, British weights and measures, for you would know what a No. 1. case of apples would contain, whereas measurements according to locality are always a mystery.—Yours, etc.,

R. D. MENNELL.

Waterford, January 19th, 1918.

FOOD ECONOMY: SUGGESTIONS INVITED.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I have been requested by the Food Control Committee for Ireland to organise an association for the voluntary reduction of consumption of certain essential foods, in order that more of such foods than at present may be available for the use of working-men and their families.

I am at once forming a committee in order to carry out the wishes of the Food Control Committee for Ireland, and I ask the favour of your publishing this intimation of the fact in order that the citizens of Dublin may communicate to me any suggestions they may deem advisable.—Yours, etc.,

NORRIS GODDARD.

1 Upper Mount street, Dublin,
January 19th, 1918.

CHEAP DINNERS FOR DUBLIN'S POOR.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Alderman J. J. Kelly's scheme for providing cheap dinners for the poor of this city is so admirable and timely that I, for my part, am willing to co-operate in his laudable work to this extent: I will give the free use of the Empire Theatre on the 9th February for a matinée. All the Empire artistes will likewise give their services free, as will also the entire staff of the theatre. The principal artistes from the other city theatres, together with a host of the choicest local talent, will also appear on that occasion.

I am quite prepared to guarantee the Alderman at least £100. This I can safely do, for I confidently anticipate that the receipts will not only far exceed that sum, but will greatly exceed anything ever previously taken at any city theatre for any similar worthy cause.—Yours, etc.,

BARNEY ARMSTRONG.

Empire Theatre, Dame street, Dublin,
January 19th, 1918.

SALMON FISHERIES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I quite agree with Mr. Charles V. Hickey's letter in this day's *Irish Times* regarding the two days in each week close-time for net fisheries. Why not make it the same as the Scottish fisheries, from six o'clock on Saturday evenings to six o'clock on Monday mornings? I think that, if the matter were brought before the Fisheries Commissioners by the net-fishermen in Ireland, they would see the benefit of the close-time alteration to every-one concerned.—Yours, etc.,

"NET-FISHERMAN."

Co. Mayo, January 19th, 1918.

SIR CECIL SPRING RICE AND GERMANY'S CRIMES.

According to a Reuter message from Ottawa, Saturday, Sir Cecil Spring Rice, British Ambassador at Washington, addressing the Canadian Club at a luncheon attended by members of the Cabinet and other persons, while ... that the time ... Cabinet found ... responsible ... The entry ... war was not ... bassadors at ... crimes and ... patient endurance ...

LABOUR AND THE WAR.

General Smith Dorrien, speaking on Saturday at the opening of a ... Hackney, said ... try still failed ... fighting for, ... mination of ... be conclusive ... once realised ... it for the ... towards that ... the necessities ... higher wages ... further the war ...

ROLL OF HONOUR

The casualty lists issued during the week-end show the following losses:—Officers—Dead, 8; wounded or missing, 21. Total—29. Rank and File—Dead, 380; wounded or missing, 1,799. Total—2,179. Analysis of the lists:—Killed—Officers, 3; men, 165. Otherwise reported, now reported dead—Officers, 2; men, 91. Died of wounds—Officers, 3; men, 80. Died—Men, 34. Wounded—Officers, 16; men, ... Missing—Officers, ...; men, 1,029. Prisoners—Officers, 1; men, 45. Totals—... Previously reported prisoners—Officers, 12; men, 51.

Naval Officers—Killed, 1; drowned, 12; dead, 3; died of wounds, 1; wounded, 2; missing, now reported killed, 1; wounded, 3. Total—22. ... now reported ...

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Lieutenant Gaston de Prêt.—The death in action occurred on the 16th inst. of Lieutenant Gaston de Prêt, Rosso de Leppie, of the Belgian Army. ...

Mr. Gerald Harris.—News reached Dublin on ... Previous to having joined the Army he acted for some years as Honorary Secretary to the Dublin and District Branch of the Institute of Journalists. His death is believed to have been due to shell fire. At a meeting of the Dublin and District Branch of the Institute of Journalists in Dublin on Saturday a resolution of deep regret at Mr. Harris's death and of sincere sympathy with his widow was passed unanimously.

MR. DE VALERA IN MAYO.

STRONG SPEECH AT CASTLEBAR.

A large demonstration under *Sinn Fein* auspices, and representative of the County Mayo, was held in Castlebar yesterday, under the chairmanship of Dr. Anthony MacBride, brother of the late Mr. John MacBride.

Letters of apology for non-attendance were read from several clergymen, including one from the Very Rev. Canon Dalton, P.P., Ballinrobe. Father Michael O'Flanagan, C.C., Crossna, Boyle, wrote explaining that his absence was due to the fact that his bishop had prohibited him, under pain of suspension, from attending any public meeting without his special permission. (A Voice—"Shame on his bishop.") "I know," the letter continued, "that a suspended priest, even though he might, like Roger Casement, claim to 'belong to goodly company and to right noble succession,' could not at present do much to forward the cause of the Irish nation."

Resolutions pledging allegiance to the establishment of an Irish Republic, repudiating Lloyd George's Irish Convention, and calling on the Irish people to hold on to their food supplies were adopted.

Mr. de Valera addressed the meeting, and declared that he stood by the proclamation of the Irish Republic of 1916. The proof of the sincerity of President Wilson's and Lloyd George's declarations was to give the Irish people the right of self-determination, and he was ready to take a plebiscite, and to bind himself beforehand as to the result of that plebiscite, of the Irish people on the question of Irish independence or Irish subjugation. Although the principle of self-determination might not be acted upon, there was one principle that would be acted upon, because it was as important to America as it was to Germany or France, and that was that Ireland would be neither British nor German. It was as important for the freedom of the seas of the world that Ireland, situated as she was, should not belong to Britain, and give Britain the supremacy of the seas, as that it should not belong to Germany, and make Germany masters of the world. So long as England remained Ireland's enemy, and so long as Germany remained England's enemy, then so long would Ireland be Germany's friend. (Cheers.) America, he declared, had the remedy to force England to settle the Irish question, but the only settlement they would have was a complete one, and that was for England to clear out of Ireland. He stated that Ireland was willing to enter into a league of nations which was to be set up at the end of the war as a unit, and on the same footing as England or Germany or any other nation, but he believed such a league could only be brought about through the co-operation of America on the one hand and Germany on the other. He said that, if England cleared her men out of Ireland in the morning and acknowledged Ireland's right to complete independence, he pledged himself on his own behalf, and he was sure, on behalf of every other Irishman, that they would defend their country. Having expressed his confidence that the *Sinn Fein* candidate would win in South Armagh, he cautioned the Irish people not to export any food, and suggested the adoption of a co-operative movement by which the surplus food of one county could be transferred and sold in another.

THE HUNGER STRIKE IN MOUNTJOY PRISON.

SINN FEIN PROTESTS.

Protests against the forcible feeding of the *Sinn Fein* prisoners in Mountjoy Prison were entered on Saturday evening at a meeting held in Foster place, Dublin, the speakers including Count Plunkett and Messrs. Sean Kelly and Darrel Figgis. Superintendent Dunne, who was in charge of a large force of police, intimated to Count Plunkett, who was talking to some friends in Dame street, before the meeting, that there would be no objection to the meeting being held in Foster place, but it could not be held in College Green. The crowd, having been warned by Inspector Barrett, moved reluctantly towards Foster place, where, after some bantering on the part of the crowd, the inspector asked the leaders to move further in from Dame street. Mr. Figgis retorted that the meeting had not yet begun, and they were within their right in standing there. Inspector Barrett replied to the effect that, as a public assembly, they were obstructing the traffic.

At the end of the meeting, Count Plunkett asked the crowd to follow the car on which the speakers were seated. A procession was then formed, and the crowd, marching four deep, proceeded to Mountjoy Prison, flanked on either side by police. Rebel songs were sung and some excitement prevailed, but the tactful action of the police had a calming effect on the crowd. At the entrance to the prison, which was guarded by police and military, a demonstration in the form of singing and cheering took place, and the crowd then quietly dispersed.

Another protest meeting was held at Beresford place last evening, at which Count Plunkett and Mr. Stack spoke. It was intended to march again to the prison, but, owing to the unfavourable weather, the intention was not fulfilled.

THE IRISH CATTLE TRADE.

At the first meeting of the newly-elected Committee of the Irish Cattle Traders' and Stockowners' Association Mr. Wm. Field, M.P., presided. The following officers were unanimously elected:—

Mr. John Leonard, J.P., Chairman; Mr. P. J. Kennedy, Co.C., Vice-Chairman; Messrs. John P. Cuffe, J.P., and Michael Beatty, Hon. Secretaries; Messrs. James Ennis, J.P., and Robert Craigie, Hon. Auditors.

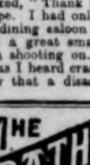
Mr. P. J. Kennedy dwelt on the necessity for extending the scope and influence of the Association by catering for the needs of every branch of the Irish cattle trade. His remarks were cordially endorsed by the members.

Numerous complaints were received from members of the Association who trade in England as to the drastic regulations imposed there on Irish cattle traders. A deputation—consisting of Messrs. Field, Leonard, Beatty, Courihan, P. J. Kennedy, Edward Storey, and J. P. MacAvin, secretary—was appointed to wait on the Department of Agriculture with reference to these regulations. It was also decided to address communications to the members of Parliament with regard to the enormous wastage of food value caused by the unreasonable detention of cattle at both Irish and English ports.

SPANISH STEAMER TORPEDOED.

A Paris telegram (Press Association war special) says:—The Spanish steamer Donanova, flying the Spanish flag and with the Spanish national colours painted on her hull, was torpedoed at noon on January 15th in the Western Mediterranean. The vessel was able to be towed into port.

THE BATH FOR TIRED, ACHING, OR TENDER FEET.



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GLASGOW'S TANK INVESTMENTS.

Glasgow "tank week" concluded magnificently at nine o'clock on Saturday night, when it was announced that the day's takings had been £5,500,102, making the week's total £14,171,760. Several additional subscriptions had not been counted at closing hour, so that the week's aggregate is likely to be considerably increased. There were unparalleled weather conditions during the closing hours, the train service being completely disorganised. Lord Provost Stewart, announcing the result to a large gathering, said Glasgow and the Clyde area had by that splendid achievement not only heartened their brave men on land and sea, but disheartened the enemy, and led Britain and her Allies a stage further on the highway to victory.

IRISH EMIGRATION.

The total number of natives of Ireland who emigrated from Ireland in the month of December was 129 (67 males and 62 females), compared with 216 (66 males and 150 females) in the same month in 1916. During the past twelve months the total number of Irish emigrants was 2,111 (838 males and 1,273 females), compared with a total of 7,302 (1,743 males and 5,559 females) in 1916, 10,659 in 1915, 20,314 in 1914, and 30,967 in 1913. Last year only 83 emigrants went to the United States, 79 to Canada, and 13 each to Australia and New Zealand; 996 went to England and Wales, and 912 to Scotland.

SECOND TO NONE

CARROLLS SILK CUT CIGARETTES

10 for 4½d.

BOY CLERKSHIPS.

Exam. 2nd April.

Last exam. ... SKERRY'S COLLEGE, ... Dublin:—Messrs. ... U. Kingdom, ... Love, Neely, ... Kavanagh, Co... Irish Result. ... Classes Working.—(Advt.)

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Poplin de Chine Blouse, with revere collar, in Saxe and Grey. Regular price, 6/11. Sale price, 5/6.
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220 Yards 40-inch Silk Crepe de Chine very bright quality shades—Sky, Pink, Mauve, Putty, Brown, Ivory, and Black. Usual price, 6/11 per yard. Sale price, 5/11 per yard.
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Two Special Numbers in Natural Japanese Washing Silk. Usual price, 2/11, 3/6 per yard. Sale price, 2/3, 2/11 per yard.
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Millinery
Several lots of the Season's Millinery offering at much less than Half-Price.
A Lot of Semi-trimmed Velour and Velvet Pull-On Hats, 10/6 to 17/6. Sale price, 5/6.
A Lot of Smart Model Millinery Hats, 15/6 to 25/-. Sale price, 7/6.
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Ladies' Golf and Directoire Knickers, warm, pure wool, 14/6, 12/6, 10/6. Reduced to 13/-, 10/6, 8/6.
A full-size warm Knicker, in fleece lined, 5/11. Reduced to 3/11.
All-Wool Night Dresses, 25/6. Reduced to 21/-.
Wincey Night Dresses, 12/6. Reduced to 10/6.

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All Blanket Cloth Frieze and Fleece Coats, with and without Fur Collars, clearing at Cost Prices.

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Household Linens.
2 x 2½ yards Double Damask Table Cloths, 35/-. Sale price, 21/6 each.
2 x 3 yards Hemmed Sheets (washed ready for use), 34/6. Sale price, 23/6 per pair.
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Bank of England,
19th January, 1918.

FROM THE LONDON GAZETTE.

FINANCIAL NEWS

LONDON MONEY MARKET.

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LONDON, SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

The demand for loans was less pressing to-day, the slackening off being due to the usual week-end conditions. Call money was obtainable at 3 to 3½ per cent., and the accent was upon the lower figure. ...

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS.

BIRMINGHAM CYCLE SHARE MARKET.

FINANCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

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THE AMERICAN MARKETS.

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(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

NEW YORK, SATURDAY.

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The Exchequer Bonds will be issued in denominations of £100, £500, £1,000, and £5,000 at the rate of £100 of such Bonds for each £100 of Imperial Russian Government Sterling Treasury Bills, and interest will be payable half-yearly by Coupon on the 28th January and the 28th July.

Applications will be received at the Chief Cashier's Office, Bank of England, where the necessary Forms may be obtained.

In the event of the Russian Treasury Bills being met at maturity, any applications already received will be cancelled.

The exchange of Russian Treasury Bills for Exchequer Bonds is subject to the express condition that no legal or other action be taken by, or on behalf of, the holders of the Bills in respect of their non-payment at maturity.

Holders desirous of making the exchange are requested to make application not later than FRIDAY, the 25th inst.

Bank of England,

19th January, 1918.

FROM THE LONDON GAZETTE.

WAR OFFICE, JANUARY 19, 1918.

REGULAR FORCES.—Commands and Staff.—Special Appointment, graded for purposes of pay as a G.S.O., 3rd Grade—Lt. C. P. Friend, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

ROYAL FLYING CORPS.—Flying Officers—Temp. 2nd Lts. (on prob.), Gen. List, and to be confirmed in their rank—J. G. Kennedy, L. C. Hickey ...

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FINANCIAL NEWS

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Bank Rate (changed April 5, 1917) ....5 p.c.

LONDON, SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

The demand for loans was less pressing to-day, the slackening off being due to the usual week-end conditions. Call money was obtainable at 3 to 3¼ per cent., and the accent was upon the lower figure, especially towards the close. Weekly loans were steady at 3½ per cent. Nearly a quarter of a million was disbursed in dividends, mainly upon the securities of the Union Discount Company. There was no material alteration in the Discount Market, which was steady at about overnight levels. Two months' drafts were taken at 3½ to 3¾ per cent., while three to six months' paper was posted at 4 per cent., though occasional slight concessions were made in the case of first-class paper. There was no change either in second-hand Treasury bills or trade paper.

Bank Rate (Discount) changed April 5, 1917 .... 5%

60 days (fine)	3½ 3⅝%		
3 months	4%	Trade	4¼%
4 months	4%	" 4⅛	4¼%
6 months	4%	"	4¼%
Loans to bill brokers day-to-day		3	3¼%
do. do. for a week			3½%
Deposit allowance: Banks			3%
do. do. Discount houses at call			3¼%
do. do. do. at notice			3½%

The New York exchange held around 4.76½ to 4.76 7/16.

The quotation for spot Silver was steady without variation at 44½d. per oz.

The following foreign exchange rates were current to-day:—Paris cables, 27.12½ to 27.13½; Amsterdam, 10.84 to 10.87; Italy, 39.95 to 40.00; Madrid cables, 19.75 to 19.85; Petrograd cables, 363 to 368; Rio de Janeiro, 90 days' bills, 13⅞d.

The Stock Exchange was closed, as usual, on Saturday, to enable members to undertake work of national importance, and there are, therefore, no transactions in public securities to report.

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS.

KAWIE RUBBER.—Interim of 5 per cent. actual.

BANDJARSARIE RUBBER.—Interim dividend at the rate of 5 per cent. (1/- per share).

CITY OF LONDON BREWERY.—Final of 5 per cent. on the Ord., making 10 per cent. for the year, less tax, and a bonus of 20 per cent. free of tax.

MAINDY SHIPPING.—Dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum for the quarter to 31st December.

GLYNN'S LYDENBURG.—A dividend of 8¾ per cent. (1/9 per share) for the period ending 31st of January.

CULLODEN CONSOLIDATED.—Final dividend ...

BIRMINGHAM CYCLE SHARE MARKET.

FINANCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

TRAFFIC RECEIPTS.

THE AMERICAN MARKETS.

STOCKS CLOSED FIRM.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

NEW YORK, SATURDAY.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

BELFAST AND DISTRICT.

INSURANCE AMALGAMATION.

DUNLOP RUBBER COMPANY.

The report of the Dunlop Rubber Co., Ltd., for the twelve months ended 31st August, 1917, has been issued. The directors submit the following balance sheet of the company as on the 31st August, 1917:—The net profit for the year, after deducting an amount of £143,588 13s. in respect of interest on income stock, royalty to parent company, commissions, management expenses, and depreciations, amounted to £435,109 1s. 3d.; add amount carried forward from last year, £82,930 2s. 1d.—total, £518,039 3s. 4d. The following payments have been made:—Quarterly dividends on the A and B Preference Shares to 31st August, 1917, amounting to £99,935 6s. 8d.; an interim dividend on the Ordinary Shares at the rate of 12½ per cent. per annum for the six months to the 28th February, 1917, amounting to £62,500; a second interim dividend on the Ordinary Shares at the rate of 17½ per cent. per annum for the six months to the 31st August, 1917, amounting to £87,500. The directors propose to write off the item of freehold and leasehold land and buildings, plant, etc., including the enhanced cost, owing to war conditions, of plant and buildings acquired during the year £75,000; to write off the expenses of new capital issues, £89,648 19s. 3d.; leaving a balance to be carried forward of £103,456 17s. 5d. The profits of the rubber estates to April 30th, 1917, amounting to £165,822 18s. 9d., have not been brought into the accounts. The profits for the current year, of which eight months have elapsed, are estimated substantially to exceed this figure. Certain royalties due to the company from Russia have not been taken into account. In addition to great increases of wages, salaries, general expenses, and cost of raw materials, exceptional burdens, estimated at approximately £300,000, have been borne by the company out of profits during the year, some of which will not occur again. The position of the company's business in France has materially improved, and the production, which is chiefly absorbed by the French Government, has been nearly trebled. Building operations at the Fort Dunlop works still continue. The trading of the company for the first four and-a-half months of the current financial year shows a very material increase. Since closing the accounts a sum of £340,000 has been paid to extinguish the Royalty of 6 per cent. on the company's profits, hitherto paid under agreement to the Parent Tyre Co., and this prior charge will, therefore, no longer appear in the accounts. Since the date of the balance sheet 1,500,000 of the new 7 per cent. "C" Preference Shares have been issued, upon which £937,500 has been paid up. Provision has been made for the remaining 1,500,000 shares to be taken up as and when required by the company. At the conclusion of the annual general meeting on the 29th inst. an extraordinary meeting will be held to pass resolutions increasing the capital of the company to £6,500,000 by the creation of 500,000 additional Ordinary Shares of £2 each. A second extraordinary meeting is arranged for the 13th of February.

MARKET REPORTS.

GRAIN.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday.—There were no c.i.f. parcels of wheat or maize put out by the Commission to-day, but prices were nominally unchanged. WHEAT on the spot ruled quiet but steady at yesterday's market currencies. MAIZE—Spot parcels were again extremely scarce, and more or less nominal. FLOUR was steady, and in fair request at unchanged prices. WHEAT and MAIZE parcels inactive through lack of sellers. BARLEY, OATS, and RYE neglected.

NEWCASTLE, January 19.—There was a small market, the weather being wretched, and supplies were scarce. Quotations:—English wheat, 75/6; hard winter and Manitoba, 80/-; Australian, 83/-; maize, 71/6; beans, 120/- ...

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ALLEGED EVASION OF MILITARY SERVICE.

The arrest of four persons, suspected of being concerned in an attempt to assist men of military age to leave Great Britain for Ireland, to evade the Army authorities, has caused some sensation at Fleetwood and Blackpool. The four men succeeded in getting on board the ...

NENAGH SHOOTING OUTRAGE.

WEEKLY TRADE REVIEW.

FUNERAL OF THE COUNTESS OF CARYSFORT.

The funeral of Charlotte Mary, Countess of Carysfort, widow of the fifth Earl of Carysfort, who died at Cleveharst, Stoke Poges, the residence of her sister, Miss Louisa Heathcote, on the 13th inst., at the age of 80 years, took place at Elton, near Peterborough, on Thursday. The Countess of Carysfort had only been ill for a short time. She appeared to have contracted a chill while crossing from Ireland towards the end of the year, and, after going to her ...

FUNERAL OF MR. DENIS J. FARNAN.

FUNERAL OF THE LATE MRS. P. J. CULLINAN.

PROVINCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

A Monster Turnip.—Mr. P. Conboy, Moorfields, Wexford, has grown a purple top Swede turnip, which weighed 25lbs.

Creamery and Coal Scarcity.—Owing to the scarcity of coal, the Glin Creamery has been recently working only two days a week.

White Gloves in Macroom.—His Honor Judge Hynes, K.C., was presented with white gloves at ... Quarter Sessions at Macroom on Friday ...

ATHLONE AND MOATE TEACHERS AND EQUIVALENT GRANT.

MR. JOSEPH A. HARDCASTLE'S WILL.

WILL OF DR. "JIM."

Containing less than 150 words, the will executed on November 10th, 1906, is now proved of the Right Hon. Sir Leander Starr Jameson, Bart., the famous South African Administrator and Premier, who died on November 26th last, aged 65 years, younger son of the late R. W. Jameson, Writer to the Signet, Edinburgh. The value of the estate is sworn at £45,082 13/10, with net personalty £42,747 11/1, by Mr. Middleton Jameson, of Great Cumberland place, London, brother, the surviving residuary legatee. The testator left the whole of the property to his two brothers, Samuel Watson Jameson and Middleton Jameson, or, in the event of either of them pre-deceasing him, then to the survivor.

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